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THE ENGLISH ANCESTORS

WALTER GEERE, Gentleman, of Heavitree, County of Devon, England, born about 1450, married Alice Somaster, daughter of John Somaster, of Wydcombe, Devon, and granddaughter of Adam Somaster and Julyan, daughter of Sir John Prideaux, of Adeston. He had two children: JOHN, and Juliana, who married William Hurste.

JOHN GEERE, son of Walter, born about 1480, married, 1st, Alice Throwbridge, of Crediton, by whom he had one son: JOHN; married, 2nd, Jane Stowell, of Codleston, Somerset, by whom he had one son, Andrew, and two daughters, Mary and Anne.

JOHN GEERE, eldest son and heir of John, born about 1510, married, 1st, Juliana, daughter of Anthony Butside, of St. Bodockes, Devon, by whom he had two children: JOHN and Mary; married, 2nd, in November, 1546, Beatrix, daughter of John Jermyn, of Exeter, by whom he had four children: Nicholas, Andrew, GEORGE, and Alice. Andrew married, and had a daughter Anne, who married Richard Ashe of Sowton, in January, 1615–16. Alice married the Reverend William Varley, of Exeter, in April, 1583. GEORGE, the youngest son, was probably the father of JONATHAN, and the grandfather of GEORGE and THOMAS.

JOHN GEERE, eldest son and heir of John, of Hollaway, parish of Kene, Devon, born about 1540, married Elizabeth Burington, by whom he had four sons and four daughters: JOHN, Bartholomew, George, Humphrey, Katherine (m. Richard Walton), Bridget (m. John Walton), Joane (m. John Lange), and Mary (m. Christopher Lamacroft).

JOHN GEERE, eldest son and heir of John, of Hollaway, Kene, born about 1570, buried 24 December, 1645, married Mary, daughter of Gilbert Yarde, of Nuton Bushell, by whom

he had three sons and six daughters: JOHN (b. 1600, d. 1664), George (b. 1610), Gilbert (b. 1611, d. 1631), and Elizabeth, Anne (b. 1604), Joane (b. 1605), Judith (b. 1606, d. 1638), Anne, and Rose (b. 1609, d. 1614).

(NOTE:—The arms of this John Geere are shown as a frontispiece in the Genealogy of James Geer.)

JOHN GEERE, eldest son and heir of John, born about 1600, baptized at Kenn, 21 April, 1603, buried there 17 March, 1663–4, married Ellinor ——, by whom he had two sons: GILBERT and GEORGE.

GILBERT GEERE, eldest son and heir of John, baptized at Kenn, 12 September, 1650, Rector of Kenn, 1688, married Katherine ——, and had three daughters: Katherine, Katherine and Ellen, and one son, Gilbert, baptized 21 October, 1690, buried 1727, who was also Rector of Kenn.

GEORGE GEERE, second son of John, born about 1648, married Elizabeth ——, and had one son: George, baptized 7 June, 1677, buried at Kenn, 1719, married ——, and had four sons: Richard, Gilbert, John and George, who were all baptized in 1700 and 1701.

PREFACE

Some years ago, in preparing papers for admission to the patriotic societies of the Colonial Wars and the Sons of the Revolution, I became interested in the subject of the history of the Geer Family in America, and this volume is the result of my researches. The only work which has ever been printed on the subject is a little book of eighty-four pages published nearly sixty years ago (1856) by James Geer of Ledyard, Conn., entitled "Historical Sketch and Genealogy of George and Thomas Geer from 1621 to 1856." This book is now out of print and very scarce.

As much of the material contained in the First Part of this volume is taken from the Genealogy published by James Geer, it may be of interest to quote here a part of his Introduction in which he states the origin of his work:—

"Living as the writer does upon the homestead of George Geer, and having in his possession many of the original papers belonging to him and his children, it very naturally prompted frequent inquiries respecting the past history of the Geer Family on the part of those descendants who visited the spot once trodden by our honored and revered sire. This spirit of inquiry, accompanied by many urgent solicitations that the genealogy of the family, as far as possible, might be collected together, suggested the idea of this memoir.

"That this has required much time and labor no one can doubt. To collect and arrange the names of so many in their appropriate places, from such fragmentary and obliterated materials, has been no easy task, nor without considerable expense. But the author felt that it had been already too long neglected and that, if undertaken, it must be done at once, and while he could wish that more able hands had undertaken it, yet the possession of many more documents than were possessed by any other, seemed to indicate that he should attempt it, and so far complete it as his declining years and decaying faculties would permit, being now (1856) in his 73d year.

"The design of the work is to give correct statistical information. To secure this, the author has made careful research of the records in New London, Groton, Norwich, Preston and the old Colony records at Hartford. He also visited Enfield and Springfield, and gleaned from their records such information as he could obtain respecting Thomas Geer. Besides this, much information has been collected from family bibles, tomb stones, and extensive correspondence. In some cases, the names by which persons were familiarly known have been changed to correspond with the true name of the person as found on record. The dates are made to correspond with the records so far as any could be found, by which to be guided.

"It may be proper here to explain why many dates in this work which were copied from early records are thus written, as for example, 1644-5. It will be observed that this mode of dating only occurs between the first of January and the 25th of March, and may be accounted for in this way: The ancients began their civil year the 25th of March, and though January and February were added 715 years before Christ, yet the practice of beginning the year January first did not become general until centuries after that, for we find that as late as 1654 Charles IX of France published an edict, in the last article of which it was decreed, that for the time to come the year should be constantly and universally begun and written on and from January first. It may also be remarked, that after the introduction of the new style, by Act of the English Parliament in 1752, this ancient practice of coupling the two dates soon became obsolete.

"While the Author has endeavored to secure correctness in all parts of the work, yet it will not be surprising if errors have crept in, though it is hoped and believed that there are but few."

The First Part of the present volume, containing the records of the descendants of George Geer, or the elder branch of the family, is practically a reprint of the book of James Geer, with many additions and corrections, while the Second Part, which contains the records of the descendants of Thomas Geer, or the younger branch, is entirely new matter.

In collecting the material for this book, a great deal of information was secured regarding the members of the allied families in the Thomas Geer line. While this material does not strictly come within the scope of the Genealogy, and therefore has not been used in the body of the book, it seems too interesting not to be preserved in some more permanent form. It is therefore printed in Part Three.

Since the publication of Mr. James Geer's book, fifty-eight years have elapsed. During this long period of nearly two generations, the family has naturally increased largely, and become very widely dispersed. If, therefore, many lines of descent are not fully carried out in this record, it may be attributed to one of two causes: either the writer has found it impossible to get in communication with any member of that particular branch of the family, or they have failed to answer his requests for further information; but even in its imperfect form, it is hoped that the work may prove of some value and interest to the numerous Geer descendants.

WALTER GEER.

New York City,
January, 1914.

THE GEER GENEALOGY

ORIGIN OF THE NAME

Surnames as family names were practically unknown before the middle of the eleventh century and their use was not firmly established until after the thirteenth. In all countries, the adoption of surnames has generally marked the arrival of the people at a certain mark in civilization. All names were originally significant. They designated occupation, estate, place of residence or some particular thing that related to the person. The origin of the name of Geer is quite interesting. Ferguson, in "The Teutonic Name-Sytem," says that in an age when war was the main business of man, names taken from the weapons in which he trusted, were as natural as they were common; and directly or indirectly from this source are derived more names than from all other sources put together. One of the most common weapons in those days was the Spear, and naturally one of the most common of all roots was the Anglo-Saxon *gar*, and the Old Saxon *ger*, Spear, from which is derived the English surname *Geere*. Barber, in "British Family Names," also gives the same origin of the name. Another authority, Lower, in "English Surnames," gives a somewhat fantastic explanation of the origin of the name. He says:—"The origin of the name *Gear* is curious. In the olden tyme (*sic*) great men employed an officer to superintend the equipment of their armed retainers, and as all sorts of arms were called *gere* or *gear* this person would very naturally acquire the name of *John-of-the-Gear*, or *John-o-Gear*, and at length John Gear." Gentry, in "Family Names," gives still another derivation. He says: "*Gear*=riches, goods of any kind."

THE GEER ARMS

The arms of the several branches of the family in England are strikingly alike and would seem to indicate a common origin. There are four known varieties, all practically in the same form, the main difference being in the coloring, viz:—

First: The arms of Jonathan Geere, of Heavitree, shown in the frontispiece. The description is as follows:

ARMS:—*Gules*, two bars *argent*, each charged with three mascles of the first, on a canton *or*, a leopard's face *azure*.

CREST:—A leopard's head erased proper, ducally gorged *or*, langued *gules*, between two wings *gules*.

MOTTO:—Non sans cause.

Second: The arms of John Geer of Heavitree, Devon, shown by James Geer in his Genealogy as a frontispiece to the book, described as follows:

ARMS:—*Gules*, two bars *or*, each charged with three mascles *azure*, on a canton of the second (*or*) a leopard's face of the third (*azure*).

CREST:—A leopard's head *or*, langued *gules* (no wings).

MOTTO:—In the Name of Geer.

Third: The arms of John Geere, Kent, Devon, as given in Burke's "General Armoury" and Fairbairn's "Crests:"

ARMS:—*Gules*, two bars *or*, each charged with three mascles *azure*, on a canton *or*, a leopard's face *gules*.

CREST:—A leopard's head *azure*, ducally gorged *or*, between two wings *gules*.

MOTTO:—Not given.

Fourth: The arms of Geare or Geere of Heavitree, Devon, as given in the Harleian Society's "Visitation of Devonshire," 1620:

ARMS:—*Gules*, two bars *or*, each charged with three mascles *azure*, on a canton *or*, a leopard's face *azure*.

CREST:—Not given.

MOTTO:—Not given.

THE ENGLISH ANCESTORS

The earliest ancestor to whom the family has been traced in England was WALTER GEERE, of Heavitree,* Devon, from whom all of the Devonshire Geers were descended. He lived about 1450, and was married to Alice Somaster, of Southams, Devon. The immediate ancestor of the family in England was Jonathan Geere, of Heavitree. But little is known about Jonathan. No record has been found of his baptism, or of the baptism of his sons, as the Parish Register of Heavitree does not begin early enough to contain these records, the earliest entry being dated 1653. Nor has any record been found of the will of Jonathan, after a careful search for wills of testators of that name proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury. He seems, however, to have been a man of considerable property. His wife died at an early age, and he soon followed her, leaving two young sons, George and Thomas, under the guardianship of an uncle.

THE AMERICAN ANCESTORS

George Geer was born about 1621, and Thomas (as appears from record in the town of Enfield, Conn.), in 1623. Their uncle apparently gave them little or no privilege of school instruction. Hence, in subsequent life, although both brothers held responsible positions, they never wrote their names in deeds or wills, but simply made their mark. The consequence was that their name was spelled in a variety of ways by those who had occasion to write it, Gear, Gere, etc. Their descendants, with but few exceptions (*e. g.*, Syracuse Geres) write the name Geer, and the correctness of this spelling is verified by the fact that the name thus written is attached to the original coat of arms.

At an early age, their uncle, in order to obtain possession of their property, arranged to ship the two boys to America.

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* Heavitree is a small town in Devonshire about a mile and a half east by south from Exeter, having in 1900 a population of about 7,000. It is not shown on any of the small maps of England.

The event is thus described by a descendant of the fifth generation:—

"George and Thomas were left orphans when quite young and were brought up by their uncle, and as they were heirs to a considerable estate it was the desire of their uncle to remove them out of the way that the inheritance might be his. To enable him to realize his wishes without hindrance, he wrote to the captain of a ship about to sail for America, requesting him to take the lads with him. George and his brother were sent with the letter, with orders to remain on board until they received an answer. They remained as directed, but to their surprise, while waiting, found themselves victims of deception and already on their passage without the possibility of returning.

"The above facts I received from my father, Thomas Geer, but mostly from Joseph Geer, grandson of George, when I was fifteen years of age."

(Signed) JEPHTHAH GEER.

The ship above referred to arrived in Boston in 1635 and the boys were then put on shore in a new country without money and without friends. For quite a number of years after their arrival in Boston we find no history of their lives, and how long they remained in Boston and vicinity cannot be determined with absolute certainty. The first reliable record we find of them is that George was one of the early settlers of New London about 1651, and Thomas of Enfield in 1682. It is probable, however, that George came to New London in company with Robert Allyn and others as early as 1651, and that Thomas remained in Salem, Mass., until after the death of King Philip in 1676.

PART ONE

George Geer and his Descendants

EXPLANATION OF THE GENEALOGICAL TABLE

On the next page will be found the names of GEORGE GEER and his principal male descendants in the next three generations. On the following pages are given the names of his descendants in the four succeeding generations. The names in each generation are numbered consecutively, and the full records of such persons will be found under those numbers on subsequent pages of the book. For all other names mentioned in the book, reference should be made to the Index at the end of the volume.

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George Geer and His Descendants

FIRST GENERATION

1

GEORGE, was born about 1621; died in 1726; married Sarah Allyn, 17 February, 1658. We have already given the history of George Geer prior to his arrival in New London, about 1651. He resided in Groton until five or six years previous to his decease and then removed to Preston and lived with his daughter Margaret, who married Thomas Gates. He lived for 65 years with Sarah, his wife, and died at the age of 105 years. He was totally blind the last few years of his life.

Children:

(1) Sarah, born 27 February, 1659; married Nathaniel Park, 28 February, 1676-7. He was born in New London, Conn., and died about 1718. In 1701 he was allotted land in Voluntown for service in Colonial wars. They resided in Preston, Conn.

Children:

(a) Nathaniel, born 14 August, 1681; died about 1724.
(b) Joseph.
(c) Ezekiel.
(d) John.
(e) Isaac.
(f) Jacob.
(g) Phebe.
(h) Margaret.

2 (2) Jonathan, born 26 May, 1662; died, 30 April, 1742; married, 1st, Mary, who died 24 April, 1718; married, 2nd, Mrs. Experience Geer.

3 (3) Joseph, born 14 October, 1664; died 10 August, 1743; married Sarah Howard, 7 January, 1692, in Preston, Conn.

(4) Hannah, born 27 February, 1666; married Charles Williams. They resided in Preston. His will was exhibited at the Probate Court, New London, 23 February, 1742-3. Nothing further is found on record.

(5) Margaret, born in February, 1669; married Thomas Gates, in December, 1695, in Preston, Conn. He resided near her brothers in Preston, and with them her father spent his last days. The will of Thomas Gates of Preston, made and signed 8 April, 1724, was exhibited and proved at the Probate Court in New London, 25 August, 1726. He died in Preston, 10 August, 1726.

Children, all born in Preston:

(a) Robert, born 3 October, 1696.
(b) Zebadiah, born 4 September, 1699.
(c) Prudence, born 26 May, 1703.
(d) Daniel, born 21 April, 1707.
(e) Thomas, born 15 June, 1709.
(f) Margaret, born 4 March, 1714-15.

(6) Mary, born 26 March, 1671; married Zachariah Mainor. She resided in Groton adjoining the farm of Robert Allyn, her grandfather, and, as appears by her father's will, died and left two daughters.

Children:

(a) Hannah.
(b) Mary.

4 (7) Daniel, born in September, 1673; died 2 October, 1749; married ——.

5 (8) Robert, born 2 January, 1675; died in 1742; married Martha Tyler.

(9) Anne, born 6 January, 1679; married Daniel Tyler and settled on a tract of land east of and adjoining the farm of Zachariah Mainor, who married her sister Mary. They had a son named Hopestill, who purchased 110 acres of land of his cousin, Robert Geer, deeded 28 June, 1715. Hence

the name of Tyler Hill, kept in remembrance to the present time. We have not been able to find any further record of this family that can be relied upon.

Child:

(a) Hopestill.

6 (10) Isaac, born 26 March, 1681; died in 1745; married Martha ——.

7 (11) Jeremiah, born in September, 1683; died in 1721; married Esther ——.

(Note.—The names of Daniel and Jeremiah were not found on record although mentioned in deeds and in their father's will.)

SECOND GENERATION

2

JONATHAN (George[1]), was born 26 May, 1662; died 30 April, 1742; married, 1st, Mary ——. She died 24 April, 1718; married, 2nd, Mrs. Experience Geer. He removed from his paternal home at an early period, and settled about ten miles north of his father, on land he gave him by deed dated 11 January, 1686. On 27 December, 1686, in company with about twenty other "landholders," he petitioned to the General Court at Hartford for a town to be set off, bordering on Norwich, New London and Stonington. Their petition was granted and the town called Preston. As appears in the Probate Records of New London, the power of administration was granted to Jonathan Geer, Jr., and Mrs. Experience Geer (his second wife), of Preston, on all the personal estate of Mr. Jonathan Geer, late of Preston, deceased, the landed property having been previously disposed of by deed, as was the custom of those days.

The following, taken from the Probate Records of New London, is introduced as evidence of the correctness of the above:—

"June 2, 1742—Inventory £440 11s. 4d., divided (after payment £8 15s. debts) unto and among the widow and children. To the widow Experience Geer, one-third £143 18s. 9d.; to Jonathan, the eldest son, double share £82 5s.; to the legal representatives of Deborah Park £41 2s. 6d.; to Sarah Gennings of Windham, £41 2s. 6d.; to Mary Potts £41 2s. 6d.; to Zerviah G. £41 2s. 6d.; to Dorothy Tyler of Willington £41 2s. 6d."

Children:

8 (1) Jonathan, Jr., born ——; married, 1st, Elizabeth Herrick, 15 June, 1721; married, 2nd, Hannah Putnam, 16 April, 1745.

(2) Deborah, born ——; died 10 December, 1736, in Preston, Conn.; married, 27 March, 1709-10,

James Park, in Preston, Conn. He was born in Norwich about 1689 and died about 1726-7.

Children, all born in Preston:

(a) Aaron, born 4 March, 1711; died 4 April, 1733.
(b) Rachel, born 14 November, 1714; married Joseph Ellis.
(c) Deborah, born 10 August, 1716; married Joseph Rude.
(d) Robert, baptized in 1718.
(e) Rebecca, baptized in 1720; married Jacob Rude.
(f) Nathan, baptized in 1722.
(g) Jeremiah, baptized in 1725.

(3) Sarah, married —— Gennings, of Windham.
(4) Mary, married —— Potts.
(5) Zerviah, married John Geer, 12 May, 1725.
(6) Dorothy, baptized 8 July, 1705, in Preston, Conn.; married —— Tyler, of Willington.

3

JOSEPH (George[1]), was born 14 October, 1664; died 10 August, 1743; married Sarah Howard, 7 January, 1692, in Preston, Conn. He removed to the town of Preston not long after his brother Jonathan and became a landholder and, as appears on record, his father deeded to him a further tract of land in the town of Preston, 23 February, 1706-7. He remained on his farm until his death. He was a man often called upon to act as arbiter in disputed cases, and also on committees in behalf of the town.

Children:

9 (1) Joseph, Jr., born 17 October, 1692; died 19 May, 1718.
(2) Kezia, born 23 February, 1708-9.
(3) Benajah, born 31 May, 1710. No record of his death or marriage. On the Probate Records of New London is found the following:—"Administra-

tion was granted to Benajah Geer, of Preston, on the estate of his father, Joseph Geer, late of Preston, deceased 10 August, 1743."

(4) Sarah, born 17 September, 1712.

(5) James, born 15 January, 1714-15; baptized 10 April, 1715; married Zipporah Williams. She died 24 March, 1739, aged 18 years, 7 months, 24 days.

(6) Susannah, born 28 March, 1717; baptized 19 May, 1717.

10 (7) Joseph, 2nd, born 29 May, 1719; baptized 5 July, 1719; married, Martha Harris, 23 December, 1741.

(8) Silas, born 26 March, 1722. Resided in Kent, Conn., for a time and then removed to some other part of the country.

11 (9) Ezra, born 16 May, 1724.

4

DANIEL (George[1]), was born in September, 1673; died 2 October, 1749; married ——. He settled near his brother Jonathan, in the town of Preston. The tract of land on which he settled was granted to his father (George[1]), by Owaneco Sachem, eldest son of Uncas, 11 December, 1691, which he deeded to his son Daniel, 22 February, 1706-7 (Preston Records). He also added to his farm by purchase; was an industrious farmer, and accumulated a handsome estate. The inventory of his personal property at his decease amounted to £954 14s. 7d. His farm remained in possession of his descendants most of the time since his decease, but is now owned by one of the same name out of his lineage.

Children, all born in Preston:

12 (1) Daniel, born 15 June, 1700; married, Abigail Spicer, 31 May, 1750.

13 (2) John, born 29 March, 1703, baptized 1 August, 1703 (called Jonathan in Church Register); married Zerviah Geer, 12 May, 1725, in Preston, Conn.

14 (3) Christopher, born 19 December, 1706, baptized 8 July, 1707; married, 1st, Hannah ——; married,

2nd, Prudence Randall. She died 16 January, 1811, aged 101 years, 9 months, 23 days.

15 (4) Ebenezer, born 29 December, 1709; baptized 1 April, 1710; married, 1 April 1730, Desire Herrick.

16 (5) William, born 4 January, 1713; died 5 February, 1772; married, 1st, Esther Geer, 10 December, 1733; married, 2nd, Dinah Weeden, 29 December, 1757.

(6) Thankful, born 7 January, 1721-2.

5

ROBERT (George[1]), was born 2 January, 1675; died in 1742; married Martha Tyler, who died about 1733. He settled south of the homestead on land deeded to him by his father. Here he built a house and erected the first grist mill in this section of the country. Miss Caulkins, in her history of New London, page 373, says: "Capt. Robert Geer was one of the leading inhabitants of North Groton during the first half of the 18th century and his mill was one of the three places where all warnings were to be posted."

An agreement (given on page 14 of James Geer's Genealogy) had been entered into between George, party of the first part, and Isaac and Jeremiah, parties of the second part, dated the 15th of January, 1713-14, providing for a division of the farm between Isaac and Jeremiah, with the proviso that the one taking the dwelling house should provide suitable rooms, etc., for George and Sarah, his wife, during their lives. It appears that Jeremiah failed to fulfill his contract with George Geer, his father, and that the homestead property reverted back into the possession of the parent about 1718, and was subsequently purchased in part by Robert. Another part was given to Oliver, a son of Jeremiah, by his grandfather. Though it is not certain, yet it is believed that he removed back to the homestead before his death. He deeded the farm to his three sons, dividing the greater part between Robert and Ebenezer. James had a small part, and the remainder of his share was adjoining the mill house and lot as mentioned in the will. Robert, Jr., bought Oliver Geer's right to twenty-

five acres, 11 December, 1732 for £30, and subsequently sold all his right in the homestead to his younger brother Ebenezer for £300 money, 16 December, 1742, soon after their father's decease, and it has ever since remained in possession of his descendants.

We here insert the last Will and Testament of Robert Geer as interesting, if for no other reason, because of its antiquity and assistance in unfolding past events. It is copied from the original files of the Probate Court in New London:—

"In the name of God, Amen. I, Robert Geer, of Groton, in the County of New London, and Colony of Connecticut, in New England, being by divine goodness in the enjoyment of my rational powers, yet remembering whereof I am made, that I am soon, and for aught anything I know, unexpectedly to myself and friends, to leave the world, and utterly to have done with all the things of this present state, under these apprehensions I bequeath my spirit unto ye good and gracious God who originally gave it to me and has so wonderfully provided for its eternal welfare by his son Jesus Christ, my Lord; and my body also, which he has so wonderfully formed and graciously preserved to this time, when he resumes my spirit, I bequeath to the earth, in sure and certain hope of the resurrection from the death, at which time I hope to receive a glorified spiritual body, and then in body and spirit forever to be with the Lord.

"And whereas, God in his goodness has blessed me with some of the good things of this life, that there might be no controversie about them after my departure, what remains yet undisposed of I give and bequeath in following form and manner:—

"Imprimis, to my eldest and well-beloved son, Robert Geer, I give and bequeath the small parcel of land, with all the buildings and appurtenances appertaining, situate in Groton, and bounded as follows:—[Description omitted here.]

"Item,—I give and bequeath to my second and beloved son, Ebenezer Geer, the sum of £40 money, to be paid him at or before the expiration of two years after my decease, by his eldest brother Robert Geer.

"Item,—To my beloved son, James Geer, I give and bequeath all the land lying between the above disposed of, and land formerly given to my son Robert Geer and also £40 to be paid unto him at or before the expiration of two years after my decease, by his eldest brother and also the privilege of carrying on the business of tanning in the place where his vates now are.

"Item,—To my beloved daughter Mary, I give and bequeath the sum of £50 money to be paid her by her eldest brother Robert, £25 at the end of one year and £25 at the end of three years after my decease, as also the one-half of my moveable estate, and my large Bible.

"Item,—To my beloved and youngest daughter Martha I give and bequeath the one-half of all my personal estate, my large Common Prayer Book, and the sum of £50 money, to be paid her by her brother Robert Geer, £25 at the end of one year, and £25 at the expiration of three years after my decease.

"And out of the sincere regard I have to the religion of my dear Lord, as professed in the church of England, and for the promotion of truth and virtue therein, I give and bequeath and consecrate the sum of 20 shillings annually to be paid to the Church Wardens of the Church in North Groton, for the use and benefit of the minister of said Church forever, to be paid at the end of every year after my decease, by my son Robert Geer, his heirs, assigns and forever.

"This I declare to be my last Will and Testament, and hereby revoke any written or verbal will made by me heretofore; and for the faithful performance and execution of the above will, according to the true meaning and intent of it, and each part of it, I constitute and appoint my eldest son, Robert Geer, to be the sole executor of this, my last Will and Testament, made the 30th day of August, A. D. 1742."

ROBERT GEER (L.S.)

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
Humphrey Avery,
Benjamin Giles.
his
William x Spicer
mark.

Children of Robert and Martha:

17 (1) Robert, Jr., born in 1707; died in January, 1801; aged 94 years; married, 29 August, 1733, Abigail Greenman, who died in February, 1790.

18 (2) Ebenezer, born 1 April, 1709; died 28 August, 1763, aged 54 years; married, Prudence Wheeler, 2 January, 1735.

19 (3) James, born in 1711; died in 1755; married Sarah ——.

(4) Mary, b. ——; married John Spicer.

(5) Martha, (nothing further is known of her, except by her father's will).

6

ISAAC (George[1]), son of George and Sarah, was born 26 March, 1681; died in 1745; married Martha ——. He is supposed to have remained at home until the early part of 1715, when as appears from the agreement entered into between their father and the two brothers, Isaac and Jeremiah, he removed to the southern part of the paternal estate, it having fallen to him by the terms of that agreement. In addition to the land thus acquired he purchased several tracts adjoining. The house built by him during the latter part of his life, and mentioned in the annexed Will, is at present standing (1914) and is occupied by a Mr. Clark, who bought it of Captain Nathaniel B. Geer. The pear tree planted by his hands is no longer alive. That he was a persevering and business man is fully proved by the large estate he accumulated, though dying a young man when compared with his father, and while some of his children were minors. For the information and satisfaction of his numerous descendants, I have taken a copy of the original Will as found on file in the Probate Office, New London, which it is believed will be interesting as exhibiting not only the names of his children, but the disposition of his property.

THE WILL OF ISAAC GEER:

"In the name of God, Amen. I, Isaac Geer, of Groton, in the County of New London, and colony of Connecticut, in

THE ISAAC GEER HOMESTEAD

New England, being sick and weak in body, but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to God therefore, and calling to mind the mortality of my body, and that it is appointed for all men once to dye, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament:—

"First and principally, I recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it me, and my body to the earth, to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter named; and as to such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give and dispose the same in manner following:—

"Imprimis—I give to my well-beloved wife, Martha 1/3 part of all of my movable estate, to be at her dispose forever, and the use and improvement of 1/3 part of all my real estate, as long as she remains my widow.

"Item—I give to my well-beloved sons Benjamin and George my homestead farm on which I now dwell, with the buildings and fencings thereon, as is bounded in the Records, to be to them, their heirs and assigns forever, they paying the legacies to their brothers and sisters which is hereinafter mentioned.

"Item—I give to my well-beloved sons Solomon and Jacob £150 in money apeace, to be paid to each of them when they arrive to the age of 21 years, by their brothers, the said Benjamin and George.

"Item—I give to my four well-beloved daughters Martha, Lucy, Elizabeth and Sarah, to each of them £100 in money, to be paid to each of them when they arrive to the age of 18 years or day of marriage by their brothers the said Benjamin and George.

"Item—I give to my love son Isaac 5 shillings money to be paid to him by his brothers the said Benjamin and George, which together with what I have already given him by deed, is to be in full of his portion out of my estate.

"Item—I give to my sons Benjamin and George 2/3 of all my moveable estate, to enable them to pay off all the aforementioned legacies. And my will is that George shall live with Benjamin and work for him while he arrives to the age of 20 years, and that Solomon and Jacob be bound out to

tradesmen to learn trades, at the age of 14 years. And I do hereby nominate and appoint my well-beloved wife Martha and my well-beloved son Benjamin to be my sole executor and executrix to this my last Will and Testament, declaring this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

"In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 25th of Oct., A. D. 1739.

ISAAC GEER (Seal).

"Signed, sealed, pronounced and declared by the testator to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us witnesses.

Avery Humphrey,
Benjamin Giles,
Samuel Steary.

Amount of Inventory £2,400. Taken by
Robert Geer and
Samuel Killiam.

Feb. 6, 1745-6.

"At a Court of Probate, holden in New London, January 10, 1745-6, the last Will and Testament of Isaac Geer, late of Groton, deceased, was exhibited, proved and accepted and ordered to be recorded.

"At a Court holden at New London, March 10, 1746-7, Benjamin Geer, Executor of the last Will and Testament of Isaac Geer, late of Groton, deceased, exhibited an additional inventory; also a receipt from Martha Geer, widow of Isaac Geer."

It appears from the Groton Records that the farm described in the foregoing will as the homestead farm contained 179 acres, and that a division was made by distributors appointed for that purpose and recorded 11 December, 1746, also that Benjamin received the paternal residence and George the southern part, upon which he afterward built a house and lived, which is now standing (1856). Previous to the erection of his dwelling he occupied the easterly part of the homestead house and barn, and Benjamin the westerly part.

Children of Isaac and Martha were:

20 (1) Isaac, Jr., married Martha ——.

(2) Benjamin, born in 1717; died in 1802; married Rachel ——. No issue.
(3) Martha.
(4) Lucy, lived to be an old lady and never married. Died a few years previous to her brother Benjamin.
21 (5) George, born in 1724; died in 1786; married Polly Rouse.
(6) Elizabeth.
(7) Solomon.
(8) Sarah.
22 (9) Jacob, born in 1732; died 27 January, 1814; married Ann Patten.

7

JEREMIAH (George[1]), youngest son of George and Sarah, was born in 1683; died in 1721. He married Esther ——. He remained at home with his father and by the tenor of the agreement entered into with his father he appears to have selected the homestead as his portion. Here he lived until his death in 1721. He was one of the first of the sons, if not the first of the children, that died. Administration was granted to Esther Geer on the estate of Jeremiah Geer, late of Groton, deceased, 18 July, 1721, New London, Probate Records.

Children:

23 (1) Oliver, married Elizabeth ——.
(2) Hannah.
(3) Esther.
(4) Zebulun.
(5) Zipporah.
(6) Jerusha.

THIRD GENERATION

8

JONATHAN, JR. (Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married, 1st, Elizabeth Herrick, 15 June, 1721. She was the daughter of Ephraim Herrick of Preston, Conn., was born 14 July, 1702, and died 10 February, 1743-4. He married, 2nd, Hannah Putnam, 16 April, 1745.

Children by 1st wife:

24 (1) Aaron, born 7 May, 1722; died ——; married Mercy Fisher, 20 January, 1742-3.
(2) Jonathan, born 3 June, 1724; died ——; married Anne Roath of Norwich, 5 June, 1759.
25 (3) Stephen, born 22 February, 1726-7; died ——; married, Ruth Clark, of Norwich, Conn., 8 January, 1746-7.
(4) Elizabeth, born 9 May, 1728.
(5) Samuel, born 3 June, 1731.

Children by 2nd wife:

(6) Elizabeth, born 24 January, 1745-6.
26 (7) Elisha, born 5 March, 1749-50; died ——; married Desire Stanton, 22 March, 1770.

9

JOSEPH, JR. (Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 17 October, 1692; died 19 May, 1718. He married Susannah Simsby, 18 October, 1713. His will was dated Preston, 15 May, 1718, and administration on his estate granted his father 8 July, 1718. (Probate Office, New London, Conn.)

Children:

27 (1) James, born 17 January, 1714-15, and died 30 September, 1794.
(2) Susannah, born 28 March, 1717.

10

JOSEPH, 2d (Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 29 May, 1719; died ——; married Martha Harris, 23 December, 1741.

Children:

(1) Susannah, born 14 February, 1742-3 (Preston Records).
(2) Joseph, born 24 September, 1747 (Stonington Records).
(3) Silas, born 7 February, 1750.
28 (4) George, born 1 January, 1752. Resided in Stonington in 1801.
(5) Thomas, born 29 February, 1755.
(6) Martha, born 15 July, 1757.
(7) Comfort, born 18 February, 1761.

11

EZRA (Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 16 May, 1724. Early in life he settled in Kent, Conn. Married ——.

Children:

(1) Nathaniel, born in Preston, died in Kent, Conn.
(2) Susie, born in Preston; married and removed to Ohio.
(3) Sarah, born in Preston, married Amos Barnum.
(4) Ezra, born in Kent; died in Vermont.

Children:

(a) Calvin.
(b) Luther.
And others.

29 (5) John, born in Kent; lived and died in Peru, Mass.
(6) Elias, born in Kent, and died in Ohio, aged 92 years.
30 (7) Elijah, born in Kent and died in Washington; married Phebe Dye.
(8) David, born 6 December, 1767; resided in Bridgewater, Penn.; married Cynthia Parks, 4 April, 1793. She was born 4 April, 1770.

Children:

(a) Sally Williams, born 5 February, 1794; married Orin Clemons.
(b) Infant, born 16 June; died 17 June, 1796.
(c) Welcome, born 4 May, 1798; married Sylva Bishop.
(d) Parmelia Augusta, born 18 October, 1800, in Kent; married Benjamin Hitchcock of Claremont, N. H., in 1832, in the town of Montrose, Penn.
(e) Eliza, born 10 March, 1803; married A. Beardsley.
(f) Cynthia, born 30 August, 1805; married Holden Dewey.
(g) Armaluna, born 15 October, 1807; married Simon Parks.
(h) Azubah, born 24 July, 1810; married James Helm.
(i) Phebe Ann, born 3 May, 1813; married O. P. Townsend.

31 (9) Gardner, born ——; resided in Kent; married Esther Titus.
(10) Alpheus, drowned in North River in the Revolutionary War, while in the service of his country.
(11) Margaret, born in Kent; never married.
(12) Hannah, married James Converse, and died in Plainfield, Vt.
(13) Elizabeth, died when 12 years of age.
(14) Patience, born in Kent, married Daniel Dewey.

12

DANIEL, JR. (Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 15 June, 1700; died ——; married Abigail Spicer, 31 May, 1750.

Children:

32 (1) Roger, born 18 May, 1753; married 24 November, 1774, Keziah Tucker.

(2) Robert, born 25 November, 1754; married Salvina Gates.

33 (3) Nathan, born 12 December, 1756; married, 1st, Mary Gates; married, 2nd, Olive Gates, sister of Salvina Gates.

(4) Abel, born 27 May, 1759.

(5) Jacob, married Tammy Patridge.

(6) Abigail, married Stephen Herrick.

(7) Mary, married Zoath Tucker.

(8) Alathea, married Eleazar Herrick.

13

JOHN (Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 29 March, 1703; died ——; married Zerviah Geer, 12 May, 1725, in Preston, Conn.

Children, all born in Preston:

(1) Mary, born 11 October, 1727.

(2) John, born 6 August, 1729.

(3) Zelphia, born 1 December, 1734.

(4) Asa, born 11 August, 1737.

(5) Israel, born 9 November, 1740.

14

CHRISTOPHER (Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 19 December, 1706; died ——; married, 1st, Hannah ——; married, 2nd, Prudence Randall. She died 16 January, 1811, aged 101 years, 9 months, 23 days.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Phineas, born 24 November, 1733.

(2) Jesse, born 23 March, 1739.

(3) Experience, born 14 July, 1741; married Andrew Durkey.

Children by 2nd wife:

(4) Patience, born 17 February, 1747-8; married Richard Otis.

(5) Lemuel, born 28 June, 1750; was killed in a well.

(6) Phebe, born 6 April, 1753; died 9 June, 1759.

15

EBENEZER (Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 29 December, 1709; died ——; married Desire Herrick, 1 April, 1730.

Children:

(1) Olive, born 16 August, 1730.
(2) Caleb, born 2 July, 1732.
(3) Elijah, born 27 October, 1735.
(4) Thankful, born 11 April, 1738.
(5) Silence, born 3 May, 1744.
(6) Eunice, born 15 March, 1750.

16

WILLIAM (Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 4 January, 1713; died 5 February, 1772; married, 1st, Esther Geer, 10 December, 1733; married, 2nd, Dinah Weeden, 29 December, 1757.

Children by 1st wife:

34 (1) Abel, born 20 January, 1735; died 4 August, 1816; married Esther Fitch, 5 February, 1766.
(2) Lebeus, born 7 August, 1740; died young.

Children by 2nd wife:

35 (3) Lebeus, born 30 December, 1757; married Rachel Morgan, 1 June, 1781.
(4) Christian, born 10 November, 1759.

17

ROBERT, JR. (Robert,[2] George[1]), was born in 1707; died in 1801; married, 29 August, 1733, Abigail Greenman, who died in February, 1790.

Children:

(1) Robert, born 20 June, 1734; died young.
36 (2) Amos, born 14 April, 1736; died in 1822; married Mary Wight, of Norwich, now Preston. Graduate of Yale about 1760.

(3) Abigail, born 19 February, 1740; married Ebenezer Witter about 1760.

(4) Margaret, born 17 January, 1744; died 3 November, 1824; married James Babcock.

18

EBENEZER (Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 1 April, 1709; died 28 August, 1763; married Prudence Wheeler, 2 January, 1735. She was born 25 September, 1712; died 2 June, 1797.

Children:

(1) Prudence, born 2 December, 1735; died 21 February, 1822; married Ebenezer Punderson.

Children:

(a) Prudence, married Timothy Rositer.
(b) Hannah, married William Stanton.
(c) Ebenezer, married Polly Capron.
(d) Clarina, married James Tyler.
(e) Martha, married John Ayres.
(f) Sylvia, married Sanford Morgan.
(g) Cyrus, married, 1st Deborah Smith; married, 2nd, Polly Babcock; married, 3rd, Hannah Miner; married, 4th, Betsey Denison; married, 5th, Lucretia Stoddard.
(h) Ephraim, died aged 11 months.

(2) Ebenezer, born 30 June, 1737; died 11 March, 1752-3.

(3) Mary, born 24 September, 1739; died 17 August, 1827; married, Elijah Denison. No issue.

(4) Martha, born 18 December, 1741; died in March, 1826; married Daniel Denison.

Children:

(a) Hannah, married William Popple.
(b) Prudence, married Joseph Denison.
(c) Martha, married —— Spalding.
(d) William, married Betsey Ledyard.
(e) Polly, never married.

(f) Amy, never married.
(g) Daniel, married and had children. Removed to Western New York.

37 (5) Robert, born 18 February, 1743-4; died 30 August, 1834; married Lucy Fitch, of Windham, 4 November, 1767. Graduated at Yale, 1763.

(6) John, born 24 February, 1745-6; died 22 March, 1752-3.

(7) Charles, born 6 July, 1748; died 17 March, 1752-3.

(8) Richard, born 11 July, 1750; died 22 February, 1752-3.

38 (9) John Wheeler, born 8 March, 1752-3; died 9 April, 1828; married, Sally Denison, of Stonington, 6 September, 1778.

39 (10) David, born 18 June, 1755; died 31 August, 1835; married 17 May, 1781, Mary Stanton.

19

JAMES (Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 1711; died 1755; married Sarah ——.

Children:

(1) James, married, 1st, Lucy Hewitt; married, 2nd, Hannah Bellows. No issue.

(2) Samuel, married Catherine Eldridge, and had one child Sally, who married Dan Worthington. Left no issue.

(3) Mary.

(4) Zipporah, never married.

(5) Lucy, married Sanford Billings, of Stonington.

Children:

(a) Robert.
(b) Codington.
(c) Gilbert.
And perhaps others.

(6) Lydia, married, 1st, Jonas Satterlee; married, 2nd, James Avery, and by her first husband had six children.

Children:

(a) John.
(b) Jonas.
(c) Polly.
(d) Elisha.
(e) Lucy.
(f) Bridget.

20

ISAAC, JR. (Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married Martha ——.

Children:

40 (1) Isaac, 3rd, married, 1st, Mary Leeds. She died in 1782. He married, 2nd, Esther Gallup.
41 (2) Nathan, married Jerusha Tracy, 1 May, 1766.
(3) Martha.

"At a Court of Probate, holden at New London, April 6, 1747, Martha Geer was appointed administrator to the estate of Isaac Geer, Jr., late of Groton, deceased.

"Also, at a subsequent Court, held Oct. 11, 1748, Martha Geer exhibited the Inventory amounting to £483 2s. 6d., divided to the widow and children. To the widow £161 0s. 10d. (one-third); to the eldest son a double portion £161 0s. 10d.; to the youngest son a single portion £80 10s. 5d.; to the daughter of said deceased a single portion £80 10s. 5d.; making in all £483 2s. 6d.

"This Court appoints Martha Geer guardian into Isaac Geer, 3rd, Nathan Geer and Martha Geer, minors, under 12 years, and children to Isaac Geer, Jr., late of Groton, deceased.

"And the said Martha Geer and George Geer was bound in the sum of £400 that she shall be faithful in her office of guardianship aforesaid."

The foregoing facts seem to show that there were three who bear the name of Isaac. The error into which some have fallen is the confounding of Isaac, Jr., and Isaac, 3rd,

supposing them to be one and the same person.—(Note by James Geer).

21

GEORGE (Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 1724; died 1786; married Polly Rouse. Resided in Groton.

Children:

42 (1) Richard, born 11 March, 1753; died 28 July, 1835; married Hannah Slode.

43 (2) Gurdon, born 20 June, 1755; died in 1829.

(3) Sarah, born in June, 1761; died in 1788; unmarried.

(4) Lydia, born 1 June, 1763; died 25 November, 1834; married William Chapman, who died 20 June, 1792, aged 38 years.

Children:

(a) Olive, born 23 March, 1787; married Rufus Chapman.

(b) William, born 2 November, 1791; married Roxellana Thurber, 12 November, 1816. She died 22 February, 1846.

44 (5) Gilbert, born 20 May, 1765; died in 1829; married and had three children.

(6) Polly, born in 1767; died in 1850; married, Jonathan Stoddard, of Groton. No issue.

(7) Lucy, born in 1769; died in September, 1788; unmarried.

(8) Cyrus, born in 1773; died in October, 1802; unmarried.

22

JACOB (Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in 1732; died 27 January, 1814; married Ann Patten, who died in October, 1804, aged 74 years.

Children:

(1) Luther, born in 1754; died in September, 1776. He was starved to death in the old sugar house in

New York, a prisoner of war, and died without issue.

(2) Israel, born 21 July, 1757; died in September, 1799, in Hampton, Va.; married, 4 February, 1779, Mary Newton.

Children:

(a) Israel, resided in the South.
(b) George Whitefield, resided in New York City.
(c) Sophia, married Amasa Standish.
(d) Cynthia, married, 10 March, 1814, Samuel Hallet, resided in Indiana.
(e) Charlotte, married Erastus Latham, resided in Groton.

(3) Martha, married Asa Driscoll, and died at the age of 60 years.

45 (4) Benjamin, born 1 June, 1759; died in 1830; married Susannah Whitmarsh.

(5) Thomas, born in 1765; died in 1802; no issue.

46 (6) Solomon, born in 1768; died in April, 1809; married, Anna Pierce.

(7) Ann, born in 1770; died in 1772.

47 (8) Joshua, born in 1772; died 29 November, 1847; married Lucia Crettenden.

23

OLIVER (Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married Elizabeth ——. They moved to Southold, L. I., and lived there a few years. Had one or two sons born on Long Island. Removed to Norwich, Conn., in 1733.

Children:

48 (1) Uzziel, born in 1731; died in 1824; married ——.

(2) Jeremiah, born 17 September, 1733; died 12 November, 1842.

(3) Aseneth, born 15 September, 1735.

49 (4) Rezin, born 3 July, 1737; died 3 July, 1778; married, Mary Vanderburgh.

(5) Squire, born 22 June, 1740.

(6) Esther, born 31 May, 1743.

FOURTH GENERATION

24

AARON (Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 7 May, 1722, died ——; married, 1st, Mercy Fisher, 20 January, 1742-3. She died 2 February, 1752. He married, 2nd, Miriam Spofford in 1758.

Children, by 1st wife:

(1) Samuel, born 8 November, 1743.
(2) Anna, born 22 December, 1745.
(3) Mercy, born 2 September, 1747.
(4) Amos, born 22 September, 1749.

Child, by 2nd wife:

*(5) Isaiah, born 25 June, 1762; died ——; married Philomela Cary.

25

STEPHEN (Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 22 February, 1726-7; died ——; married Ruth Clark, 8 January, 1746-7, of Norwich, Conn.

Children:

(1) Amy, born 28 September, 1747; married John Page, 5 August, 1771, in Preston.
50 (2) Thomas, born 9 August, 1750; died 26 February, 1812; married, 1st, Meribah Killam; married, 2nd, Elizabeth Hakes Wilber.

26

ELISHA (Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 5 March, 1749-50; died ——; married, Desire Stanton, 22 March, 1770.

Children:

51 (1) Denison, born 17 July, 1771; died 14 February, 1816; married, 4 May, 1797, Polly Smith.
(2) Sophia, born 11 January, 1773.

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* See The Oregon Branch.

(3) Anna, christened 19 November, 1775.
(4) Rebecca, born 12 September, 1777.

27

JAMES (Joseph, Jr.,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 17 January, 1714-5; died 30 September, 1794; married, 1st, Mary Haskell, 5 November, 1735. She died 18 March, 1776. He married, 2nd, Mary Kimball, 10 November, 1776.

Children:

(1) Elias, born 12 January, 1737-8.
(2) Elifel, born 7 March, 1739-40.
(3) Silsby, born 26 July, 1742.
(4) Mary, born 12 January, 1744-5.
(5) James, born 24 March, 1747.
(6) Susannah, born 12 September, 1749.
(7) Olive, born 17 March, 1751-2.
52 (8) Jonas, born 18 April, 1754; married, Martha Burton, 12 January, 1775. He was a twin.
(9) Allen, born 18 April, 1754; married, Mary Burton, 12 January, 1775. He was a twin.
(10) Joseph, born 3 May, 1756.
(11) Keziah, born 19 July, 1758.

28

GEORGE (Joseph, 2d,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 1 January, 1752; died ——; married ——.

Children:

53 (1) Silas, married ——.
(2) Aaron.
(3) Ezra.
(4) Thomas, died in 1817 in North Stonington.
(5) George.
(6) Jefferson.
(7) Anna.
(8) Betsey.
(9) Lucy. } twins.
(10) Laura. }

29

JOHN (Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 2 April, 1759, in Kent, Conn.; died 26 September (December), 1840, in Peru, Mass.; married Onnah Abbe, who was born 26 September, 1766, in Ashford, Conn. She died 20 November, 1845. He moved in early life to Peru and settled in south part of that town, where he was a prosperous farmer.

Children:

(1) Calvin, born 28 June, 1781; died 1 April, 1807; married 18 February, 1804, Unity Anderson.

(2) Alpheus, born 19 September, 1783; died in April, 1846, and buried in Peru; married 1 January, 1805, Keziah Judd, of Lenox, Mass., who died in 1846.

Children:

(a) Benjamin. Lived and died in Peru. No children.
(b) Lyman. No children.
(c) Addison. Had three daughters.
(d) Dwight. Married Jane G. Stowell. Had one son and three daughters.
(e) Heziah. Had three children.
(f) Clarissa. Married —— Wheeler.

(3) Luther, born 21 April, 1785; died ——, at Peru; married ——.

Children:

(a) Sherman. Had four children: Clayton, Myron, Clarissa and Elwin.
(b) Austin.
(c) Warren.
(d) Clarinda.
(e) Delight.
And possibly other children.

(4) John (2nd), born 30 March, 1789, in Peru. Lived and died in Washington or Becket, Mass. Married three times.

Children:

By his first wife,

(a) William, a merchant and farmer. Married Charlotte Crosier and had two children: Emerson and Adeline.

(b) David, merchant, who lived and died in Boston. Had four children: Inez (now Mrs. J. A. E. Stewart, East Orange, N. J., who has children) and Murray, Arthur and William.

(c) Betsy. Married Charles Crosier, now living in Washington, Mass.

(d) Calvin.

(e) Jarvis. Had a son and a daughter, Kate.

(f) Wesley. Had one daughter, Eliza.

By his second wife,

(g) Willard.

By his third wife,

(h) Sarah.

(i) Edward.

(5) Susanna, born 8 February, 1792, in Peru; married Luther Granger. Had six children: Lyman, Orin, Almond and three daughters.

(6) Elizabeth, born 8 December, 1793, in Peru; married 29 November, 1815, John Ferguson. Had children: Justin, George, Elizabeth, Perogan, Susan and others.

(7) Obediah, born 14 August, 1797, in Peru; married 24 December, 1818, Amelia Wing.

(8) Peter, born 8 March, 1800; died 1868, in Peru; married, 1st, 18 April, 1825, Polly Kent; 2nd, 18 January, 1835, Sally Kent. Had seven children: Milton, Maria, Lucena, Ira Welcome, Emily O., Sally Louise, Amarinda. Was a farmer by occupation.

54 (9) Ira, born 21 August, 1802; died 12 September, 1836; married 3 May, 1826, Lucy Prince Raymond. She was born 17 October, 1803, in Montville, Conn.; died in Peru, 26 May, 1854. Farmer by occupation.

(10) Lyman, born 13 June, 1805, in Peru, Mass.; died 20 March, 1818.

(11) Calvin, born 8 May, 1808, in Peru; died 25 January, 1821.

30

ELIJAH (Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born in Kent; died in Washington; married Phebe Dye.

Children:

55 (1) Alpheus, born 7 August, 1788; married Sarah W. Marshall, 30 November, 1815.

(2) Elizabeth, born 24 February, 1792.

31

GARDNER (Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married Esther Titus.

Children:

(1) Lucy, married David Judd.
(2) Lucinda, married Oldin Swift.
(3) Charles.
(4) Milo.
(5) Margaret, married Philip Judd.

32

ROGER (Daniel, Jr.,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 18 May, 1753; died ——; married, Keziah Tucker, 24 November, 1774.

Children:

(1) Daniel, 3rd, born 6 May, 1776; married Sarah Geer; Had nine children.

(2) Cyrus, married Polly Lathrop.
(3) James, married Mary Geer. Had seven children.
(4) Elisha, married Penelope Davis.
(5) Eunice, married Cyrus Davis.
(6) Keziah, married —— Stackhouse.
(7) Abby, married —— Newton.

33

NATHAN (Daniel, Jr.,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 12 December, 1756; died ——; married, 1st, Mary Gates, 1 October, 1778; married, 2d, Olive Gates.

Children:

(1) Sarah, born 13 September, 1779.
(2) Mary, born 11 January, 1784.
(3) Lucy, born 27 May, 1787; married, Vaniah Abel. He was born 23 August, 1773; died 3 September, 1852.

Children:

(a) Nathan T., born 25 October, 1810; died 7 January, 1843.
(b) Elijah W., born 4 February, 1826; died 27 January, 1849.

(4) Alathea, born 18 November, 1789; died 22 October, 1833.
(5) Abby, born 15 April, 1793; married Elijah Weeden, 19 March, 1815. No issue.
56 (6) Nathan, born 5 September, 1797; married Priscilla Stoddard, 5 February, 1824.

34

ABEL (William,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 20 January, 1735; died 4 August, 1816; married, Esther Fitch, 5 February, 1766. She died in April, 1825, aged 82 years.

Children:

(1) Esther, born 5 November, 1766.
57 (2) Samuel, born 5 December, 1768, died 21 November, 1810; married, Lucy Tracy, 1 January, 1792.

(3) William, born 13 July, 1771.
(4) Polly, born 19 October, 1775; married Gideon Guile.
58 (5) Charles, born 28 January, 1777; married, Sally Graves, 1 January, 1799.
(6) Zipporah, born 14 March, 1779; died in 1836.
(7) Martha, born 28 March, 1781; married —— Downing.
(8) Ebenezer, born 28 March, 1783; married a widow.
(9) Moses, born 25 September, 1786; died 3 October, 1788.
59 (10) Fitch, born 18 April, 1788; married Diana Townsend, in September, 1819.

35

LEBEUS (William,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 30 December, 1757; died ——; married, Rachael Morgan, 1 June, 1781.

Children:

(1) Henry, born 30 August, 1781; married Eunice Morse.
(2) Jeremiah, born 27 August, 1783.
(3) Elias, born 20 May, 1785.
(4) Amos, born 11 April, 1787.
(5) Betsey, born 21 May, 1789.
(6) Margery, born 17 June, 1792.
(7) Maria, born 4 March, 1795.
(8) Eliza, born 11 August, 1797.
(9) Flora, born 3 May, 1800.

36

AMOS (Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 14 April, 1736; died 1822; married Mary Wight, of Norwich, now Preston. He graduated at Yale about 1760.

Children:

60 (1) Robert, married Casindia Stanton.

(2) Polly.

61 (3) Ebenezer, married Lucy Chapman of Groton.

(4) Abigail, married, Nehemiah Smith, Jr., of Groton. They resided in Western New York.

Children:

(a) Abigail.
(b) Polly, died aged three months.
(c) Maria.
(d) Alfred.

62 (5) Greenman, married, 1st, Eleanor Reed; married, 2nd, Dorcas Dunham; married, 3rd, Charlotte Davis of Brooklyn, N. Y.

(6) Ruth.

63 (7) Amos, Jr., married, Prudence Allyn, 5 January, 1800.

(8) Margaret, born in ——, 1775; died in February, 1787.

(9) Sally, born ——; married David Bevier. He died 2 June, 1829. They resided in Western New York.

Children:

(a) Mary W., born 17 June, 1806.
(b) Charles, born 4 July, 1808.
(c) Elizabeth H., born 20 September, 1810.
(d) William, born 13 September, 1812.
(e) George, born 10 April, 1815.
(f) Sarah Ann, born 29 July, 1817.
(g) Jane, born 10 March, 1820.
(h) Phebe, born 13 June, 1822.

(10) Elizabeth, married Lodowick Bill. Resided in Lyme, Conn.

Children:

(a) Julia.
(b) Eliza.
(c) Polly.
(d) Hiram.
(e) Julia.
(f) John.

(g) Benajah.
(h) Jane.
(i) James.
(j) Gilbert L.

37

ROBERT (Ebenezer[3], Robert[2], George[1]), was born 18 February, 1743-4; died 30 August, 1834; married Lucy Fitch of Windham, 4 November, 1767. She died 16 July, 1804. He was a graduate of Yale College in 1763.

Children:

(1) Prudence, born 13 October, 1768; died 16 July, 1854; married Amos Bailey of Groton. Resided in Brooklyn, Susquehanna Co., Penn.

Children:

(a) Prudence.
(b) Amos.
(c) Eunice.
(d) Obadiah.

(2) Eunice, born 20 June, 1771; never married.

(3) Lucinda, born 27 June, 1774; married Lyman Killiam, in December, 1797.

Children:

(a) Eunice.
(b) James.
(c) Thankful.
(d) Samuel.

64 (4) Charles, born 19 June, 1776; died 5 February, 1842; married, Sarah Denison.

65 (5) Ebenezer, born 8 February, 1779; died 2 December, 1845; married, Pedy Elery Morgan, 1 November, 1810.

(6) Alice, born 26 April, 1781, never married.

66 (7) James, born 31 October, 1783; married Sally Lewis, 20 January, 1806.

(8) Sophia, born 12 June, 1786; married Stephen Breed of Milford, Conn. Resided in Brooklyn, Pa.

Children:

(a) Stephen Wheeler, born 6 September, 1811.

(b) Robert Fitch.

38

JOHN WHEELER (Ebenezer[3], Robert[2], George[1]), was born 8 March, 1752-3; died 9 April, 1828; married Sally Denison of Stonington, 6 September, 1778. She was born 18 February, 1748 and died 2 May, 1815.

Children:

67 (1) John, born 11 June, 1779; married Mehetabel Leonard, 22 February, 1804.

68 (2) Nathan, born 30 April, 1781; married Sophia Rossiter, 2 May, 1816.

69 (3) Elijah Denison, born 17 April, 1783; died 10 August, 1848; married Dorothy Geer, 15 April, 1812.

(4) Sally, born 25 January, 1785; died ——.

70 (5) Moses Tyler, born 11 January, 1787; died 18 October, 1843; married Hannah Phelps Denison, 1 February, 1816.

71 (6) Samuel, born 30 November, 1788; married Anna Geer, 3 October, 1820.

(7) Mary, born 28 March, 1792; died 13 October, 1842.

39

DAVID (Ebenezer[3], Robert[2], George[1]), was born 18 June, 1755; died 31 August, 1835; married, Mary Stanton, 17 May, 1781. She was born 28 August, 1756. They resided in Ledyard.

Children:

(1) Dorothy, born 22 April, 1782; married Elijah D. (69).

72 (2) David, born 20 January, 1784; married Anna Gallup, 11 January, 1810.

73 (3) William Stanton, born 28 October, 1785; died 15 September, 1852; married Lovisa Brewster, 14 February, 1816.

(4) Prudence, born 30 March, 1788; married Isaac Gallup, 12 March, 1812. Resided in Preston, Conn.

Children:

(a) Mary Ann, born 10 December, 1812; married Elias B. Avery, 1 January, 1835; died 4 January, 1836.

(b) Prudence Almira, born 4 March, 1815; died 17 July, 1847.

(c) Emeline, born 27 February, 1818; married Orlando Smith, 10 April, 1845.

(d) Isaac, Jr., born 13 November, 1820.

(e) Julia, born 4 April, 1823.

(f) Infant son, died 9 March, 1827.

(g) Infant son, died 20 July, 1831.

74 (5) Joseph, born 16 February, 1790; married Lura Witter, 22 February, 1816.

(6) Cyrus, born 1 April, 1792; died 22 February, 1797.

(7) Anna, born 12 August, 1794; married Samuel (71).

75 (8) Robert, born 20 November, 1796; died 18 December, 1877; married Sophia Stanton, 25 October, 1820.

76 (9) Isaac Wheeler, born 1 June, 1801; died 5 January, 1855; married, 1st, Aseneth Williams, 9 January, 1825; married, 2nd, Experience Avery, 8 May, 1828.

77 (10) Charles, born 19 August, 1803; married Elizabeth B. Hall, 12 January, 1831.

40

ISAAC, 3RD (Isaac, Jr.,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married, 1st, Mary Leeds. She died in 1782. Married, 2nd, Esther Gallup. He lived in Galway, Saratoga Co., N. Y. The family of Capt. Isaac Geer, 3rd, were all born in Groton about one mile south of his grandfather's homestead. In this family there may be some errors, especially in the

order in which the names are placed, for we are dependent upon memory for our facts.—(Note by James Geer).

Children, by 1st wife:

(1) Sarah, married Joseph Brewster; lived in Ontario Co., N. Y.
(2) Elizabeth, married Elkanah Hewit.
(3) Isaac, married in Vermont. Removed to Galway, N. Y.
(4) Polly, married Ephraim Bellows. Resided in Whitestown, N. Y.
(5) Patty, married Paul Williams. Died in Groton.
(6) Ezra, married Thankful Smith. He remained in Connecticut and died there 13 June, 1855.
(7) Nathan, died at sea, without issue.
(8) William, resided in Utica, N. Y., and died there. He had two daughters living there, Mrs. Laura Irons and Mrs. Almira Church.
(9) Luther, was twice married, had one son and several daughters. Resided several years in Ithaca, N. Y. Then removed to Ohio.
(10) Anne, married a Mr. Merriman in western New York and resided there.

Child, by 2nd wife:

(11) Prudence, married Ezra Bailey. Resided in Groton. Died several years since and left a family.

41

NATHAN (Isaac, Jr.,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married Jerusha Tracy, 1 May, 1766. Resided about one mile southeast of Preston City.

Children:

(1) Jedediah, born 21 January, 1766; removed to Northampton, Mass. Had a family and died there.
(2) Lucy, born 8 May, 1769; married —— Corning.
78 (3) Isaac, born 6 December, 1771; married 1 July, 1798, at Northampton, Jemima Kingsley. He

was a goldsmith. Removed to Northampton, Mass. Had a large family and died there. This branch of the family also writes the name *Gere*.

(4) Nathan, removed to Hartland, Vt.; married Damis Denison and died there.

42

RICHARD (George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 11 March, 1753; died 28 July, 1835; married Hannah Slode. He resided on the homestead of his father. Removed to Pittstown, N. Y., with his family and died there.

Children:

(1) Roxellana, born 17 January, 1782; married S. W. Newton. No issue.

(2) Clarissa, born 23 May, 1783; died 11 June, 1840; unmarried.

79 (3) Erastus, born 14 January, 1789; married Sophia Spicer, by whom he had one child.

(4) Fanny, born 14 January, 1789; married John Slade.

Children:

(a) Emily, born 28 May, 1818; unmarried.

(b) Kingsly, born 27 June, 1820; married Fosta Martin, 30 January, 1844.

(c) Hannah, born 3 August, 1824; died young.

(d) Matilda, born 15 January, 1827; unmarried.

(e) Richard Geer, born 18 August, 1829.

(5) Polly, born 2 April, 1793; died 27 March, 1802.

80 (6) Gilbert, born 7 September, 1795; married Adna Spencer.

(7) Matilda, born 8 April, 1798; married Benjamin Silby.

Children:

(a) Lydia Ann, born 1 October, 1823.

(b) Albert Benjamin, born 26 February, 1829.
(c) Adaline, born 30 June, 1831.
(d) Emily Frances, born 11 March, 1834.
(e) Luman Harrison, born 22 May, 1839.

43

GURDON (George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 20 June, 1755; died in 1829; married Sarah Williams.

Children:

(1) George, resided in Groton.
81 (2) Samuel, moved to Akron, Ohio.
(3) Lucy.

44

GILBERT (George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 20 May, 1765; died in 1829; married and had three children, one son and two daughters. He settled in Wilmington, N. C., and there he pursued the mercantile business until about eight or nine years before his death.

Children:

(1) Edwin. He was admitted to Deacons' Orders in the Spring of 1840, and to the Priesthood the following year. Was the Rector of the Episcopal Church in Wadesborough, N. C., for several years. Then went to Washington, N. C.
——, Daughters (names not known). One married General Marsteller, of Wilmington, by whom she had one daughter. The other married Dr. Price, of Wilmington, and died about 1844, leaving an infant daughter.

45

BENJAMIN (Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 1 June, 1759; died in 1830; married Susannah Whitmarsh. He resided on the old homestead of his Uncle Benjamin while he

lived. Then removed to New London, and afterwards to western New York, and died there.

Children:

(1) Hannah, born 20 September, 1780; died in 1809; married Jesse Wells.

Children:

(a) Fitch, born in 1800; died in 1847.
(b) Benjamin Geer, born in 1802.
(c) Darius, born in 1804; died in 1808.
(d) Susan, born in 1806; died in 1830.

82 (2) Job, born 6 May, 1783; married, 1st, Charity Post; married, 2nd, Ellen Campbell.

83 (3) Seth, born 22 July, 1784; died 27 November, 1847; married Lucinda Pierce.

84 (4) Darius, born 18 July, 1786; married Chany Mills.

46

SOLOMON (Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in 1768; died in 1809; married Anna Pierce.

Children:

(1) Asa.

85 (2) Luther, born 14 February, 1773; married Esther Whipple, in 1813.

(3) Lucinda, born in 1777; died in 1818; married Noyes Holmes, in 1815.

86 (4) Thomas, born 7 June, 1801; married, 1st, Hannah Whipple, in 1825; married, 2nd, Thankful Whipple.

87 (5) John Owen, born 15 July, 1806; married, 1st, Almira Pendleton; married again, twice.

47

JOSHUA (Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in 1772; died 29 November, 1847; married Lucia Crettenden. He was a wealthy sea captain. Lived in New York City.

Children:

(1) Ophelia, married a Monsieur d'Aubigne.
(2) Adeline.
(3) Louise M.
88 (4) Edward Warren, born in 1814; married Hortense Henna, a niece of J. H. M. d'Aubigne, author of the "History of the Reformation."

48

UZZIEL (Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born in 1731; died in 1824; married ——. Resided in Norwich.

Children:

89 (1) Wheeler, died 21 September, 1854; married Sally Roath, 9 May, 1799.
Other children.

49

REZIN (Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 3 July, 1737; died 3 July, 1778; married Mary Vanderburgh, who was born 13 November, 1745, and died 12 March, 1814. He was killed at the Wyoming Massacre, Penn. Resided in Brooklyn, Penn.

Children:

(1) Jane, born 3 October, 1763; married William Davis. Resided near Albany.
90 (2) Peter, born 13 September, 1765; married ——.
(3) Elizabeth, born 16 October, 1767.
91 (4) Jeremiah, born 24 December, 1769; married Martha Morgan, 23 November, 1794.
92 (5) Stephen, born 26 September, 1772; died 25 January, 1847; married, 1st, Martha Weed, 13 August, 1793, who died 1 March, 1802; married, 2nd, Abigail Olney, 16 January, 1817, who died 27 February, 1849.
(6) Mary, born 13 April, 1775; died 10 May, 1782.
(7) Rezin, born 5 May, 1777; died 21 September, 1778.

FIFTH GENERATION

50

THOMAS (Stephen,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 9 August, 1750; died 26 February, 1812; married, 1st, Meribah Killam, 11 February, 1773, who died 17 March, 1801; married, 2nd, Elizabeth Hakes Wilber, 22 March, 1803.

Children:

93 (1) Jephthah, born 7 February, 1774; married Olivet Herrick, 19 November, 1797, in Worthington.

94 (2) Jonathan, born 8 March, 1776; married Pamelia Abbe, 1 January, 1797, of Windham, Conn.

(3) Joseph, born 22 July, 1778; married Hannah Kimball, 16 February, 1800. She was of Preston, Conn.

Children:

(a) Samantha.
(b) Fanny.
(c) Orra.
(d) Maria.
(e) Mary.

(4) Anna, born 19 October, 1780; married E. Hakes.
(5) Ichabod Eccleston, born 8 May, 1783.
(6) Nabby, born 30 November, 1791; married E. Hakes.

51

DENISON (Elisha,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 17 July, 1771; died 14 February, 1816; married Polly Smith, 4 May, 1797.

Children:

(1) Polly, born 16 June, 1798.
(2) Anna, born 8 May, 1800; died 26 April, 1816.
(3) George W., born 6 May, 1802.
(4) Lydia, born 9 March, 1804.
(5) Elisha, born 10 June, 1806.
(6) Prentice, born 7 September, 1808.

(7) Abby Almira, born 26 August, 1810.
(8) Edna Alice, born 29 July, 1813.
(9) Denison, born 29 March, 1816.

52

JONAS (James,[4] Joseph, Jr.,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 18 April, 1754; died ——; married Martha Burton, 12 January, 1775.

Children:

(1) Mary, born 10 January, 1780.
(2) Earl Piercy, born 3 June, 1783.

53

SILAS (George,[4] Joseph, 2nd,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married ——.

Children:

(1) Maria, born in 1806; died in 1855.
(2) Joseph, born in 1808.
(3) Sally, born in 1810.
(4) Silas, born in 1812.
(5) Eliza, born in 1815.
(6) David, born in 1820.
(7) Henry, born in 1826.

54

IRA (John,[4] Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 21 August, 1802, in Kent, Conn.; died 12 September, 1836, in Peru, Mass.; married 3 May, 1826, Lucy Prince Raymond (born in Montville, Conn., who died 26 May, 1854).

Children:

(1) Jewett, born 14 February, 1827; died 16 July, 1830.
(2) Horace, born 21 May, 1829; died 27 July, 1830.
95 (3) Jewett Holland, born 13 May, 1831 (living, residing until recently in Peru, now in Hinsdale, Mass.).

(4) Ira Milo, born 6 February, 1834; died 8 June, 1858. No children.

(5) Lucy Ann, born 5 November, 1836; died 3 March, 1857. Never married.

55

ALPHEUS (Elijah,[4] Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born in Kent, Conn., 7 August, 1788; died in Norwich, Conn., 3 February, 1866; married 29 November, 1815, Sarah Whiting Marshall, of Torrington, Conn. He was graduated at Union College, 1813; ordained deacon in 1814, and priest in 1815. He was rector of St. John's Church, Waterbury, Conn., and of one of the smaller outlying parishes, for eighteen years. He was the last of the clergymen of St. John's who joined the care of some other parish to his regular ministerial work. This was the period which marked the transition in Connecticut from an agricultural condition to one in which manufactures became the dominant interest. He was also the last rector of that parish who depended on the cultivation of the land for a portion of his income. The cultivation of the glebe land, and their own land, by the early New England ministers furnished an important part of their support. In those days a settlement was regarded as for life, and a grant of land was usually a part of the settlement; so that in many cases, similar to his, the clergy were considerable land holders and successful cultivators. On 20 October, 1816, he presented to Bishop Hobart of New York, then acting Bishop of that diocese, which was temporarily without a Bishop, a class of two hundred and twenty-six for confirmation, this being with one exception the largest class confirmed by Bishop Hobart.

Children:

(1) Mary Jane, born 2 October, 1816; married Nathan S. Gilbert, 24 December, 1842.

Children:

(a) Samuel A., born 13 April, 1847.

(b) Nathan G., born 24 February, 1850.

(2) Marshall E. A., born 14 October, 1818.
96 (3) George Jarvis, born 24 February, 1821.

56

NATHAN (Nathan,[4] Daniel, Jr.,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 5 September, 1797; died ——; married Priscilla Stoddard, 5 February, 1824.

Children:

97 (1) Nathan, born 8 April, 1825; married Mary Geer, daughter of Samuel (71), 3 July, 1851.
(2) Robert, born 19 March, 1828.
(3) Joseph, born April, 1831.
(4) Mary, born 17 April, 1836.

57

SAMUEL (Abel,[4] William,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 5 December, 1768; died 21 November, 1810; married Lucy Tracy, 1 January, 1792. She died 21 November, 1810. After the name of this Samuel, on page 37 of the old Genealogy, are placed the two letters "F. S." Miss Ellen Geer states that he was a very muscular man—could lift very heavy weights and perform many feats of strength. He was also very fond of wrestling with any one who would meet him, and for this reason was known among his comrades as "Fighting Sam." Mr. James Geer, therefore, put the letters "F. S." after his name to distinguish him from the many other Samuels.

Children:

(1) Lydia, born 3 October, 1792.
(2) Elias, born 10 July, 1794.
(3) Eunice, born 31 March, 1796.
(4) Anna, born 14 September, 1797.
(5) Samuel, born 22 July, 1799.
(6) Lucy, born 5 October, 1801.
(7) Amy, born 10 May, 1803.
(8) Polly, born 15 June, 1805.

(9) Eliza, born 16 August, 1807.
(10) Susanna, born 25 July, 1809.

58

CHARLES (Abel,[4] William,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 28 January, 1777; died ——; married Sally Graves, 1 January, 1799.

Children:

(1) Harriet, born 1 January, 1801.
(2) George.
(3) Charles.
(4) Sally.

59

FITCH (Abel,[4] William,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 18 April, 1788; died ——; married Diana Townsend, in September, 1819. She was born 16 April, 1797.

Children:

(1) William, born 9 September, 1821.
(2) Frances, born 20 April, 1824; died 22 July, 1825.
(3) Elbridge, born 29 September, 1826; married Sarah C. Mayo, 14 November, 1852.
(4) Charles Abel, born 14 November, 1830.
(5) Mary Elizabeth, born 10 November, 1833; married Alvan P. Boardman, 26 February, 1854.

60

ROBERT (Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married Casindia Stanton. She was born in 1762, in Groton, Conn. They lived on "Pumkin Hill" in Groton (now Ledyard).

Children:

(1) Abigail.
(2) Robert.

61

EBENEZER (Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married Lucy Chapman, of Groton.

Children:

(1) Abel.
(2) Ebenezer.
(3) Livia.
(4) Jabez.
(5) Amos.
(6) James.
(7) Lauren.
(8) Lucy.

62

GREENMAN (Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married, 1st, Eleanor Reed; married, 2nd, Dorcas Dunham; married, 3rd, Charlotte Davis, of Brooklyn, New York.

Child:

Gilbert Dunham.

63

AMOS, JR. (Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 7 October, 1772; died ——; married Prudence Allyn, 5 January, 1800. They resided in Ledyard, Conn.

Children:

98 (1) Amos, born 10 November, 1800; married Eunice Morgan, 11 April, 1824.
(2) Prudence, born 28 October, 1802; died 22 March, 1833; married Billings Avery.
Children:
(a) James Billings.
(b) Theophilus.
(c) Amos Geer.
99 (3) Shubael, born August, 1804; married Mary Wilber, 5 August, 1827.

100 (4) Robert, born 25 October, 1806; married, 1st, Eunice Bailey; married, 2nd, 2 December, 1847, Jenet Phelps.

(5) Eliza B., born 19 January, 1809.

101 (6) Alexander H., born 9 January, 1811; married Cordelia Comstock, of Waterford.

(7) Abel Israel, born 31 March, 1813; died in March, 1814.

(8) Alfred Smith, born 25 January, 1815; married Martha Shone, of Baltimore.

Children:

(a) Oceania, died young.
(b) Ann Eliza.
(c) Prudence Almira.

102 (9) Jacob Allyn, born 24 January, 1817; died 19 October, 1857; married Julia Gallup, of Preston.

(10) Lydia Almira, born 22 April, 1819; married William Tinker, of Westfield, Mass., 27 November, 1845.

Child:

William Amos, born 18 January, 1850.

64

CHARLES (Robert,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 19 July, 1776; died 5 February, 1842; married Sarah Denison, daughter of Colonel George Denison, of Hartland, Vermont, 17 December, 1799. She was born 3 May, 1777, and died 16 March, 1841. Resided in Brooklyn, Penn.

Children:

(1) Sarah Denison, born 12 February, 1801; married Jacob Kintner, 20 March, 1848. No issue. Resided in Washington, Wayne Co., Pa.

(2) Lucy Fitch, born 16 October, 1802; married Dr. Jonathan Harris Merrill, 9 June, 1841. He was born 23 November, 1801. Resided in Salem, N. H.

Children:

(a) Charles Geer, born 14 April, 1832.
(b) George Washington, born 28 February, 1834.
(c) Rebecca Barber, born 26 April, 1838.

103 (3) Charles Denison, born 29 October, 1805; died 3 June, 1832; married, Fanny Baker, 22 March, 1829.

104 (4) Robert Wheeler, born 17 April, 1808; married Julia E. Packer, 26 April, 1829.

(5) Julia Ann, born 11 May, 1815; married James Wallace Adams, 10 September, 1840. Resided in Brooklyn, Pa.

Children:

(a) Charles Geer, born 25 September, 1841.
(b) Edwin Theodor, born 5 July, 1845.
(c) John Wallace, born 6 July, 1849.

65

EBENEZER (Robert,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 8 February, 1779; died 2 December, 1845; married Pedy Elery Morgan, 1 November, 1810. She was born 25 March, 1783. Resided in Brooklyn, Penn.

Children:

(1) An infant daughter, born 16 September, 1811; died same day.

(2) Lucy Ledyard, born 20 December, 1812; married Reuben Orson Miles, 14 September, 1836. He was born 7 December, 1811. Resided in Brooklyn, Pa.

Children:

(a) Uleyetta Augusta, born 11 February, 1840.
(b) Josephine Adelia, born 14 May, 1843.

105 (3) Christopher Morgan, born 7 November, 1814; married Emma A. Smith, 4 September, 1842.

(4) Pedy Emily, born 13 June, 1820; married Gurdon W. Palmer, 20 February, 1842.

Children:

(a) Ebenezer Willis, born 28 January, 1846; died 25 November, 1848.

(b) Adelaide Ophelia, born 2 May, 1848; died 30 September, 1848.

66

JAMES (Robert,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 31 October, 1783; died ——; married Sally Lewis, 20 January, 1808. She was born 15 June, 1787. Resided in Ledyard, Conn., on the homestead of George Geer. He was the compiler of the "Historical Sketch and Genealogy of George and Thomas Geer," published in 1856.

Children:

106 (1) James Lewis, born 8 November, 1808; married, 1st, Prudence Almira Gallup, 19 November, 1834; married, 2nd, Mary Ellen Geer, 10 April, 1848.

107 (2) Nathaniel Bellows, born 31 January, 1810; married Julia Davis, 9 November, 1837.

(3) Sally Maria, born 16 December, 1813; married Albert A. Bailey, 8 January, 1843. He was of the firm of Myers & Bailey, Norwich, Conn.

(4) An infant son, born 22 December, 1816; died 24 December, 1816.

(5) Abby, born 24 December, 1820.

67

JOHN (John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 11 June, 1779; died ——; married Mehetabel Leonard, 22 February, 1804. She was born 26 December, 1779, and died 17 October, 1838. Resided in Griswold, Conn.

Children:

(1) Mehetabel, born 26 February, 1805.

108 (2) John Denison, born 24 December, 1807; married Mary Ann Cook, 24 December, 1833.

James Geer

(3) Sarah M., born 29 October, 1809; married Edwin B. Meech, 17 May, 1836.

Children:

(a) Ellen, born 17 June, 1837.
(b) Andrew Huntington, born 15 March, 1839.
(c) Sarah Mehetabel, born 24 December, 1840.
(d) Mary Leonard, born 8 March, 1843.
(e) Edwin, born 2 August, 1845.
(f) Jane, died aged 20 months.
(g) Hezekiah, died aged 13 months.
(h) Martha, died aged 13 months.

68

NATHAN (John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 30 April, 1781; died ——; married Sophia Rossiter, 2 May, 1816. Resided in Preston, Conn.

Children:

(1) Nathan Punderson, born 29 June, 1817.
(2) Denison Rossiter, born 22 October, 1818.
(3) John Jay, born 15 February, 1821.
(4) Prudence Sophia, born 6 September, 1830.

69

ELIJAH D. (John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 17 April, 1783; died 10 August, 1848; married Dorothy Geer, daughter of David (39), 15 April, 1812. Resided in Griswold, Conn.

Children:

(1) Dorothy Amanda, born 11 April, 1813; married Joseph W. Spalding, 28 March, 1849.
(2) Sarah Ann, born 2 June, 1815.
(3) Elijah Denison, Jr., born 15 November, 1817; died 6 February, 1818.
(4) Mary Ellen, born 29 November, 1819; married James L. Geer (106).

(5) William Stanton, born 21 May, 1822; died 18 November, 1842.

109 (6) David Austin, born 17 August, 1824.

(7) Delia Jane, born 13 March, 1827; married 14 September, 1857, Noyes Barber Gallup at Faribault, Minn. He was born 12 January, 1831, at Voluntown, Conn. They had seven children:

(a) Dolly Geer.
(b) Jasper Elijah.
(c) Thomas Shipman.
(d) Robert Gere.
(e) Martha Ellen.
(f) Mary Almira.
(g) Isaac Gardner.

70

MOSES TYLER (John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 11 January, 1787; died 18 October, 1843; married Hannah Phelps Denison, 1 February, 1816. She was born 17 December, 1789.

Children:

(1) Harriet Abby, born 28 October, 1817; married Ethan Allen Pierce, 8 May, 1842.

Children:

(a) An infant, died 1 April, 1843.
(b) Louisa, born in April, 1844.
(c) Mary Elizabeth, born 7 May, 1846.
(d) Denison, born 10 March, 1848.
(e) Frances Hannah, born 8 August, 1850.
(f) Caroline, born 10 April, 1853.

(2) Moses Edward, born 24 December, 1819; died 18 September, 1843.

(3) Ethan Denison, born 17 April, 1823; died 31 August, 1843.

(4) Nathaniel Miner, born 3 August, 1825; died 14 August, 1825.

(5) Hannah Louise, born 26 July, 1826; married Mark Philip Maston, 15 September, 1853.

Child:

Catherine Euphenia, born 10 August, 1854; died 10 February, 1855.

110 (6) John Wheeler, born 16 December, 1828.

(7) Fanny Ann, born 11 June, 1831; died 23 August, 1831.

(8) Sarah Caroline, born 22 October, 1832; died 14 February, 1851.

71

SAMUEL (John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 30 November, 1738; died ——; married Anna Geer, daughter David (39), 3 October, 1820. She was born 12 August, 1794. Resided in Griswold, Conn.

Children:

(1) Mary, born 24 August, 1821; married Nathan Geer (56), 3 July, 1851.

Child:

(a) Mary Abby, born 20 January, 1853.

(2) Prudence Ann, born 8 August, 1825.

(3) Lucy Emma, born 18 June, 1828.

72

DAVID (David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 20 January, 1784; died ——; married Anna Gallup, 11 January, 1810. She was born 3 September, 1787. Resided in Lebanon, Conn.

Children:

111 (1) Cyrus Gallup, born 27 February, 1811; married Eunice Stark, 31 March, 1836.

112 (2) William Franklin, born 30 June, 1812; married Mary Jane Lathrop, 22 October, 1837.

(3) Thankful Smith, born 10 May, 1814; married Elias B. Avery, 14 January, 1838. He was born 6 March, 1805. Resided in Lebanon, Conn.

Children:

(a) Sarah Ardelia, born 2 July, 1839.
(b) Isaac G., born 4 July, 1841.
(c) Nancy Matilda, born 23 April, 1843.
(d) Eliza S., born 12 July, 1845.
(e) Albert, born 20 January, 1850; died 9 September, 1850.

(4) An infant son, born 16 June, 1816; died 23 June, 1816.

(5) Sarah Ann, born 20 July, 1818; married Henry Nelson Stark, 28 October, 1840.

Children:

(a) Sarah Ann, born 13 June, 1842.
(b) Julia Emma, born 13 January, 1847.
(c) Edward Nelson, born in 1849.
(d) Mary Almira, born 15 June, 1853.

113 (6) David, born 5 March, 1821; married Lorinda Smith, 27 March, 1844.

114 (7) Erastus, born 9 October, 1823; married Almira R. Saxton, 12 May, 1852.

73

WILLIAM STANTON (David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 28 October, 1785; died 15 September, 1852; married Lovisa Brewster, 14 February, 1816. She was born 22 January, 1797.

Children:

(1) Isaac Watts, born 23 February, 1817; married Marietta Loomis, 24 May, 1842.

(2) Charles Franklin, born 21 March, 1820; married Catherine Failing, 26 July, 1849.

115 (3) Marcus Junius, born 6 February, 1822; married Mary E. McCartey, 26 December, 1849.

116 (4) James Monroe, born 15 November, 1824.

(5) Eliza Louisa, born 12 September, 1828; died 6 September, 1849.

Robt Gore

(6) Henry Clay, born 4 April, 1832.
(7) Mary Sophia, born 23 November, 1837.

74

JOSEPH (David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 16 February, 1790; died ——; married Lura Witter, 22 February, 1816. She was born 22 September, 1795. Resided in Ledyard.

Children:

(1) Emily, born 9 June, 1817; married Albert G. Avery, 21 March, 1837. Resided in Western New York.
Children:
(a) Francis Geer.
(b) Lura Matilda.
(c) John Fletcher.
(d) Charles.
(2) Eliza Witter, born 24 December, 1821.
(3) Frances Ardelia, born 25 July, 1828.
(4) Eunice Angeline, born 27 February, 1838.

75

ROBERT (David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born in Groton, Conn., 20 November, 1796; died in Syracuse, N. Y., 18 December, 1877; married Sophia Stanton, 25 October, 1820. She was born 23 November, 1798, and died 16 November, 1879. Resided in Syracuse, N. Y. He was proprietor of the Gere Iron and Mining Works.

Children:

117 (1) Robert Nelson, born 17 January, 1822, in Florida, N. Y., died 7 November, 1890; married Sophia M. Ward, 5 April, 1843. She died 29 November, 1885. Married, 2nd, 21 September, 1887, Lucy Gere, daughter of Charles Gere (77).

118 (2) George Clinton, born 26 April, 1824, in Florida, N. Y.; died ——; married Adelia Manzer, 23 June, 1852, in Geddes, N. Y.

(3) Mary Anna, born 14 December, 1825; died 26 December, 1910; married, 25 October, 1853, James J. Belden, born 30 September, 1825. He was a Banker and Member of Congress. For years Mrs. Belden was personally interested in the Women's and Children's Hospital, in Syracuse, and was active in other charitable work begun by her husband. The last few years before her death she spent her time during the winter months in her apartments at the Hotel Manhattan, New York City, which was built by her husband, and divided her time in the summer between the Adirondacks and Syracuse.

Child:

Harriet Anna, born 21 July, 1858; died 10 November, 1860.

(4) An infant daughter, born and died 27 October, 1827.

119 (5) William Henry Harrison, born 14 August, 1829, in Geddes, N. Y.; married in Amsterdam, N. Y., 3 October, 1854, Octavia Frances Cady.

120 (6) Nathan Stanton, born 16 August, 1832, in Geddes, N. Y.; died 30 January, 1885; married, in Camillus, N. Y., 29 August, 1855, Mary L.Sweet.

76

ISAAC WHEELER (David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 1 June, 1801; died 5 January, 1855; married, 1st, Aseneth Williams, 9 January, 1825. She died 8 August, 1827. Married, 2nd, Experience Avery, 8 May, 1828.

Child, by 1st wife:

(1) Aseneth Williams, born 26 May, 1826; married And. Avery.

Children, by 2nd wife:

(2) Isaac Wheeler, born 10 April, 1829.

121 (3) David, born 13 September, 1832.

(4) Delia, born 24 March, 1838.
(5) Mary Louisa, born 31 March, 1843.

77

CHARLES (David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 19 August, 1803; died ——; married Elizabeth B. Hall, 12 January, 1831. She was born 13 August, 1806.

Children:

(1) Helen, born 23 August, 1833; died 14 September, 1833.
(2) Mary Elizabeth, born 22 July, 1834.
(3) Lucy Anna, born 7 April, 1837.
(4) Caroline Tracy, born 4 April, 1839.
(5) Joseph Stanton, born 26 September, 1842.

78

ISAAC (Nathan,[4] Isaac, Jr.,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 6 December, 1771, in Preston, Conn.; died in Northampton, 24 September, 1812; married, 1st, Jemima Kingsley, 1 July, 1798; married, 2nd, Lucy Ware. He was a jeweller and clock maker.

Children by 1st wife:

122 (1) Edward, born 19 December, 1798, in Northampton, Mass.; died in Williamsburg, Mass., 24 September, 1832; married 14 October, 1824, Arabelle Williams.
(2) Lucy, born 11 September, 1800; died young.
(3) Isaac, born 3 February, 1803.

Children by 2nd wife:

(4) Frederick.
(5) William.
(6) Lucy.

79

ERASTUS (Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 14 January, 1789; died ——; married Sophia Spicer.

Child:

Emily, born in 1817; married Theodore C. Richmond. No issue.

80

GILBERT (Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 7 September, 1795, at Pittstown, N. Y.; died ——; married Adna Spencer. Resided in Troy, N. Y.

Children:

(1) Erastus, born 17 January, 1824; married Agnes Parker, 18 January, 1849.

Children:

(a) Mary Frances, born 3 April, 1850; married James R. Rossman.

(b) Elizabeth E., born 5 December, 1851; married Henry Bowerman.

(c) Alice L., born 19 March, 1856, in Troy; married 19 March, 1878, Thomas B. Kenny, who was born 25 April, 1849, in Albany. Four children: Agnes, born 1 August, 1879; Elizabeth Geer, born 7 February, 1882; Thomas Geer, born 10 April, 1888; and Alice Geer, born 10 March, 1892.

(2) Huldah Maria, born 26 August, 1825; died 9 July, 1826.

123 (3) Gilbert, Jr., born 8 May, 1827; married Frances A. Mosher, 21 November, 1850.

(4) Mary Frances, born 18 February, 1829; married John S. Holden, 9 September, 1851.

Child:

Mary Jane, born 5 December, 1852; married Charles Porter.

124 (5) Charles Henry, born 9 January, 1831; married Julia Rath.

(6) Helen Jane, born 1 March, 1833; died 17 August, 1834.

125 (7) George Spencer, born 17 May, 1836; married Martha Clark Hamilton.

(8) Marcia Baker, born 8 February, 1839; died 13 April, 1843.

81

SAMUEL (Gurdon,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born ——; died ——; married Mary ——. He moved to Akron, Ohio.

Child:

126 John Avery, born in Groton, Conn., 25 November, 1820; died 15 April, 1895; married Lucretia Elizabeth Rogers, 24 January, 1842.

82

JOB (Benjamin,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 6 May, 1783; died ——; married, 1st, Charity Post; married, 2nd, Ellen Campbell.

Child, by 1st wife:

(1) Sarah Ann.

Children, by 2nd wife:

(2) Seth, married Elizabeth L. Campbell, and had one son, Frank.

(3) Susan.

(4) Benjamin.

83

SETH (Benjamin,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 22 July, 1784; died 27 November, 1847; married Lucinda Pierce.

Children:

127 (1) Harold, born in 1806; died 31 January, 1854; married Rachel Berrian.

(2) Caroline, born in 1806; died 22 September, 1829.

(3) Hiram, born in 1810.
(4) Adeline, born in 1812.
128 (5) Seth, born in 1814; married Harriet Seaman.
(6) Emeline, born in 1816.
(7) Johnson Chase, born in 1819; died young.

84

DARIUS (Benjamin,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 18 July, 1786; died ——; married Chany Mills. Resided in New York City.

Children:

(1) Julia Ann, born 26 August, 1809; died 12 September, 1810.
(2) Eloria.
(3) Mary.
(4) Emeline, born 1 March, 1816; died 7 June, 1825.
129 (5) Darius W., born 21 January, 1818; married Sarah M. Ransom.
(6) Amanda C.
(7) Caroline C.
130 (8) George Warren, born 3 July, 1824; married Cornelia H. Mumford.
(9) Emeline M.
(10) Elizabeth L.
(11) Adelaide L.
(12) Frederic Mills, born 27 December, 1835.

85

LUTHER (Solomon,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 14 February, 1773; died ——; married Esther Whipple. She died in 1847.

Children:

(1) Luther, born in 1817; married —— Hempstead. Resided in Illinois.
(2) Solomon.
(3) Silas.
(4) Jacob, died in Illinois, aged 18 years.
(5) Esther, died about 1830, aged 17 years.

86

THOMAS (Solomon,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 7 June, 1801; died ——; married, 1st, Hannah Whipple, in 1825; married, 2nd, Thankful Whipple.

Children:

(1) Hannah, married William Whipple.
(2) Anna, married Jabez Whipple.
(3) Thankful, married Nathan Whipple.
(4) Thomas.

87

JOHN OWEN (Solomon,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 15 July, 1806; died ——; married Almira Pendleton, by whom he had three daughters. She died 26 August, 1836. He married again twice.

Children, by 1st wife:

(1) Lucinda, died aged 2 years.
(2) Caroline, married Elisha Partridge, in 1844.
(3) Amelia, married Edward Dock, in 1850.

He married, 2nd, Harriet Bennett, who died 9 August 1854.

Children, by 2nd wife:

(4) William, born in 1838.
(5) Harriet L., born in 1840.
(6) Thomas, died aged 3 years.
(7) George, died aged 2 years.
(8) Susanna, born 3 September, 1844; died 19 September, 1854.

He married, 3rd, Jane S. Bassett.

88

EDWARD WARREN (Joshua,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in 1844; died ——; married Hortense Henna.

Children:

(1) Henry Merle.
(2) Ophelia.

89

WHEELER (Uzziel,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 9 November, 1773; died 21 September, 1854; married Sally Roath, 9 May, 1799. She died 4 October, 1850.

Children:

(1) Oliver, born 12 February, 1800; died 5 February, 1831.
(2) Elizabeth, born 8 January, 1802.
(3) Erastus, born 6 December, 1803.
131 (4) George W., born 27 March, 1806; died 21 February, 1886; married Betsey Button, 24 October, 1827.
(5) Sally Maria, born 5 May, 1808.
(6) Wm. Wheeler, born 28 July, 1810; died 22 February, 1847.
(7) Levi Orson Merrels, born 5 December, 1812; died in 1852.
(8) Jeremiah Cleveland, born 24 September, 1815; married Mary Ann Bushnell, 10 April, 1836.
(9) Henry Branch, born 20 May, 1818.
(10) Martha Alma, born 2 March, 1821; died 6 October, 1822.

90

PETER (Rezin,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 13 September, 1765; died ——; married ——.

Children:

(1) Peter.
(2) Rezin.

91

JEREMIAH (Rezin,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 24 December, 1769; died ——; married Martha Morgan, 23 November, 1794. She died in June, 1853.

Children:

(1) Mary Ann, born 10 November, 1795; died 9 June, 1807.

(2) Charles Vanderburgh, born 1 April, 1797; married Theresa Ely, 24 November, 1819.

Children:

(a) Harriet J., born 8 June, 1828.

(b) Martha A., born 6 July, 1831; died 12 May, 1839.

132 (3) Edward Law, born 3 June, 1799; married Mary Follet, 20 November, 1822.

133 (4) Geo. Morgan, born 15 March, 1801; married Sarah C. Parke, 20 November, 1822.

(5) Harriet Wilson, born 6 October, 1804; married David N. Wheeler, 24 November, 1825.

(6) Wm. Davis, born 26 January, 1807; died 28 January, 1829.

(7) Maria Jane, born 18 July, 1809; died 30 November, 1826.

(8) Albert, born 4 October, 1812; died 6 May, 1822.

(9) Henry, born 4 October, 1815; married Harriet C. Parke, by whom he had two sons and three daughters. He lived in Minnesota.

92

STEPHEN (Rezin,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 26 September, 1772; died 25 January, 1847; married, 1st, Martha Weed, 13 August, 1793. She died 1 March, 1802. Married, 2nd, Abigail Olney, 16 January, 1817. She died 27 February, 1849.

Children, by 1st wife:

(1) Mary Ann, born 30 October, 1794; died 24 July, 1796.

(2) Mary, born 6 June, 1798; married Joshua Fletcher, 18 August, 1818.

(3) Peter, born 1 March, 1802; died 11 July, 1827.

Children, by 2nd wife:

(4) An infant, born 5 April, died 6 April, 1818.
(5) Cornelia M., born 15 July, 1820; married Edward Packer, 16 October, 1838.
134 (6) Albert R., born 29 April, 1822.
(7) Eliza Ann, born 12 September, 1824; died 9 October, 1828.

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JEPHTHAH (Thomas,[5] Stephen,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 7 February, 1744; died ——; married Olivet Herrick, 19 November, 1797, in Worthington. She died in August, 1854, aged 77 years.

Children:

(1) Olivet, born 24 January, 1800; married Elisha S. Bill.

(2) Laura, born 10 November, 1801; died in Claridon, Ohio, 5 October, 1896; married Ezra Starkweather.

135 (3) Jephthah, born 13 February, 1804; died in Preston, 3 December, 1870; married, 1st, Olive Starkweather, 11 December, 1828; married, 2nd, Mary L. Kimball.

(4) Eunice, born 20 April, 1806; married Charles Barstow.

(5) Almira, born 24 March, 1808; married Mason Morse.

136 (6) Hollibut W., born 8 March, 1810; married, 1st, Lucy Coats; married, 2nd, Ann Jilson.

(7) Thomas Clark, born 22 February, 1812; died 1 October, 1817.

137 (8) Isaac Sidney, born 7 April, 1814; married Abby L. Brewster, 25 November, 1836. She was born 8 March, 1820.

(9) Persis Cook, born 12 September, 1816; married Henry H. Carey.

94

JONATHAN (Thomas,[5] Stephen,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 8 March, 1776; died ——; married Pamelia Abbe, 1 January, 1797, of Windham, Conn.

Children:

(1) Meribah.

(2) Joseph.
(3) Jonathan.
(4) Maria.

And others.

95

JEWETT HOLLAND (Ira,[5] John,[4] Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 13 May, 1831, in Peru, Mass.; married 29 June, 1854, at Hinsdale, Mass., Mary C. Goldthwait, who was born 8 March, 1834, at Dalton, Mass., the daughter of Elias Goldthwait. Was a farmer and also engaged in the lumbering business. He was Deacon of Congregational Church of Peru, Mass., for many years; Justice of the Peace; School Trustee in Peru, Mass. On the opposite page is reproduced a view of a valley in the Berkshire Hills showing the old homestead in the south part of Peru, Mass., of John Geer. His sons Peter and Ira Geer, his grandson Jewett Holland Geer and his great-grandsons Ira Jewett and Sumner C. Geer were all born and brought up here. The view is looking north over the valley, most of which was occupied, owned and farmed by John Geer and his direct descendants for over 130 years. Beyond the farm buildings is the sugar-maple grove of venerable trees of three to four feet and over in diameter. The main highway from Pittsfield and Hinsdale runs east between the house and maple grove to Middlefield and Chester. The roads, lanes and fields are bordered by miles of old stone walls and fences. The brooks, upper tributaries of the Westfield River, converging southward, were once well filled with brook trout. Deer, under protection of recent game laws, now roam over the hills as in the early days.

Children:

138 (1) Ira Jewett, born 29 May, 1858, living in Chicago, Ill.

(2) Lincoln E., born 16 April, 1862; died February 1902. (Left four children, Ira, Edna, Leila and Vera.)

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(3) Sumner C., born 27 May, 1869, living in Hinsdale, Mass. (Married to Minnie Randell; has two children, Esther and Holland.)

(4) Charles H., born 27 January, 1877; died 6 March, 1881.

96

GEORGE JARVIS (Alpheus,[5] Elijah,[4] Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born in Waterbury, Conn., 24 February, 1821; died in New York, 16 March, 1885; married Isabelle Montague, 9 December, 1845. She was born in Hartford, 5 December, 1823, daughter of William Montague. He was graduated at Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., in 1842, and at the Episcopal General Theological Seminary, New York, in 1845. He was made Deacon in 1845, in Christ Church, Hartford, by Bishop Brownell of Connecticut, and Priest in 1846, at Christ Church, Ballston Spa, by Bishop De Lancy; and he discharged the duties of a very efficient rectorship in that parish for seven years. He became associate rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, New York, in 1859, and rector of St. Timothy's, New York, in 1866, which charge he held until his death. He received the degree of S. T. D. from Columbia, and that of D. D. from Union, in 1862. Dr. Geer was conspicuous for his interest in the music of the church. He composed a number of hymns. Several of them appear in the church hymnals, and are still sung in the services. By appointment of the Bishop with the Reverend Dr. Muhlenburg and Bishop Bedell he edited the Tune Book, which was, for many years, used in most of the Episcopal churches in New York City, and throughout the country. He was a delegate to the General Convention from the Diocese of New York when it met in New York City in 1874.

Children:

139 (1) George Jarvis, born 25 October, 1846; married Louise Goodman, 11 June, 1873, in New York City.

140 (2) William Montague, born 9 April, 1848; married Katharine Gridley Throop, 8 April, 1880, in New York City.

(3) Herbert Marshall, born 6 September, 1850; died 24 August, 1906; married Ella Simonds, 15 October, 1885. She was born 11 November, 1856. Mrs. Geer lives in Warehouse Point, Conn.

Children:

(a) Herbert Marshall, born 25 March, 1887.

(b) Whiting, born 18 March, 1889.

(4) Isabella Montague, born 24 July, 1852; died 14 July, 1853.

(5) Gertrude Elizabeth, born 14 October, 1854. Lives at 156 West 58th St., New York City.

(6) Sarah Grace, born in New York, 3 August, 1856; married in New York, 16 October, 1889, Dr. Lewis A. Coffin, born in Lisbon, N. Y., 27 October, 1856; a graduate of Union College, in 1882; and of the Medical Department, University of the City of New York, in 1886; Surgeon of Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital; member of several professional associations, and of the University and Salmagundi Clubs (New York).

Children:

(a) Grace, born 15 October, 1890.

(b) Lewis A., Jr., born 24 July, 1892; graduated Columbia in 1912; now in class of 1914, Columbia School of Architecture; member of Delta Phi fraternity.

(c) George Jarvis, born 25 May, 1895; now a student in Williams College, class of 1915.

(7) Charles Alpheus, died young.

(8) Robert Theodore, born 1 June, 1859; died 27 January, 1913; married Sarah Fields.

(9) Mary, born 10 October, 1860; died 6 January, 1862.

Geo. Janis Geer

141 (10) Alpheus, born 4 February, 1863; married, 1 June, 1893, Florence M. Smith.

(11) Douglas, born 21 April, 1865; died 16 November, 1899.

97

NATHAN (Nathan,[5] Nathan,[4] Daniel, Jr.,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 8 April, 1825, in Griswold, Conn.; died ——; married 3 July, 1851, Mary, daughter of Samuel Geer (71).

Child:

142 George, born 7 May, 1858; married 18 April, 1907, Grace Elizabeth Parker.

98

AMOS (Amos, Jr.,[5] Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 10 November, 1800; died ——; married Eunice Morgan, 11 April, 1824.

Children:

(1) Eunice, born 2 June, 1826; died 31 March, 1839.

143 (2) Amos M., born 25 March, 1828; married Melissa R. Pierson, 4 June, 1851.

(3) William, born 5 May, 1830.

(4) Edwin, born 20 May, 1835; died 12 March, 1836.

(5) Eliza, born 12 September, 1841.

99

SHUBAEL (Amos, Jr.,[5] Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 20 August, 1804; died ——; married Mary Wilber, 5 August, 1827.

Children:

(1) Abby Elison, born 27 June, 1828; married Hezekiah Munsell, 10 October, 1853.

(2) Prudence Mary, born 10 October, 1829.

(3) Juliette, born 3 June, 1833; married Russel Jerome, 25 December, 1853.

(4) Phebe Jane, born 28 March, 1835; married Silas F. Reynolds, 30 December, 1854.
(5) Ann Elizabeth, born 16 July, 1837.
(6) Emma Redfield, born 15 August, 1840.
(7) Hannah Fitch, born 28 October, 1842; died 23 November, 1844.
(8) Josephus Fitch, born 9 October, 1844.

100

ROBERT (Amos, Jr.,[5] Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3], Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 25 October, 1806; died 10 October, 1888; married, 1st, Eunice Bailey; she died 13 June, 1846; married, 2nd, Jennette Phelps, 2 December, 1847, by whom he had three children. She died 18 March, 1897.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Marion, born 26 November, 1836; died 23 February, 1911; married Edward D. Sheldon; no children.
144 (2) Robert Clinton, born in Goshen, Conn., 10 October, 1840; married in Sharon, Conn., 20 April, 1881, Gertrude Baldwin Smith.
(3) Eunice, born 10 May, 1846; died 10 February, 1875; married Edward D. Sheldon of Branford, Conn., and had one child, Robert T., now living in New York.

Children by 2nd wife:

(4) Jennette Phelps, born 17 June, 1849; married Anson A. Lawrence of East Canaan, Conn. No children. Lives in Canaan, Conn.
(5) Ida E., born 25 May, 1852; unmarried; lives in Canaan, Conn.
(6) Mary P., born 1 January, 1859; married Henry K. Trescott of East Canaan, Conn. No children.

101

ALEXANDER H. (Amos, Jr.,[5] Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 9 January, 1811; died ——; mar-

ried Cordelia Comstock, of Waterford. They lived in Rochester, N. H.

Children:

(1) Orlando.
(2) Amos.
(3) Harriet.

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JACOB ALLYN (Amos, Jr.,[5] Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 24 January, 1817; died 19 October, 1857; married Julia Gallup, of Preston.

Children:

145 (1) Isaac Gallup, born 24 July, 1848.
(2) Prudence Emma, born 26 July, 1850; married Nathan Gallup, and lived in St. Paul, Minn.

103

CHARLES DENISON (Charles,[5] Robert,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 29 October, 1805; died 3 June, 1832; married Fanny Baker, 22 March, 1829. She died 29 October, 1831. Resided in Brooklyn, Pa.

Child:

Emeline Avery, born 28 January, 1830.

104

ROBERT WHEELER (Charles,[5] Robert,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 17 April, 1808; died ——; married Julia E. Packer, 26 April, 1829. She was born 25 July, 1812. They resided in Brooklyn, Pa.

Children:

(1) Sarah Jane, born 26 December, 1830; died 19 September, 1832.
(2) George Williams, born 3 August, 1835.

105

CHRISTOPHER MORGAN (Ebenezer,[5] Robert,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 7 November, 1814; died

——; married Emma A. Smith, 4 September, 1842. She was born 19 March, 1812. They resided in Montrose, Pa.

Child:

Christopher Morris, born 10 May, 1849.

106

JAMES LEWIS (James,[5] Robert,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 8 November, 1808; died ——; married, 1st, Prudence Almira Gallup, 19 November, 1834, by whom he had three children. She died 17 July, 1847. Married, 2nd, Mary Ellen Geer, 10 April, 1848. She was the daughter of Elijah D. (69). They resided in Norwich, Conn.

Children:

(1) Robert, born 23 March, 1837.
(2) Ellen, born 9 March, 1841.
(3) Lucy, born 9 October, 1842.

Miss Ellen Geer and her sister Lucy are members of the D. A. R. (Daughters of the American Revolution), the Mayflower Society (from Governor Bradford) and the "Societie of the Founders of Norwich, Connecticut." Miss Ellen Geer is Treasurer of the latter society, and has been Registrar of Faith Trumbull Chapter D. A. R. for the last sixteen years. In a letter from her under date of 6 January, 1914, she gives the following interesting information regarding the old "Geer Homestead":

"My grandfather (James Geer, the editor of the first Genealogy) lived on the farm where my first ancestor, George Geer, settled, and the site of his first house is still to be seen near the spring, which is referred to on page 15 of the Genealogy as 'the little house over the seller'. The present house, which is the fourth house on the farm, my grandfather built in 1848. It has always been owned and occupied by our branch of the family, and is still owned by my grandfather's heirs. His children are all dead, so the present owners are the children of James L. (106) and Nathaniel B. (107). My cousin Juliette (the daughter of Nathaniel B.) still lives there, but

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we have a farmer who also lives in the house and cultivates the farm. We are all very much interested in this 'Geer Homestead.' It is also of interest that the farm where Robert Allyn settled and established a trading post is still known as 'Allyn's Point' on the Thames River, and is still owned and occupied by the Allyn family of the ninth generation. Robert Allyn's eldest daughter Sarah married George Geer 17 February, 1658, and there is little doubt that George Geer came with Robert Allyn and family from Salem, Massachusetts, to New London. At the time they made the settlement the land on both sides of the river was known as New London,—later the east side of the river formed the town of Groton, and in 1835 the north part of Groton formed the town of Ledyard, so the Geer Homestead and the Allyn Homestead are now both in the town of Ledyard."

107

NATHANIEL B. (James,[5] Robert,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 31 January, 1810; died ——; married Julia Davis, 19 November, 1837. They resided in Ledyard, Conn.

Children:

(1) Juliette, born 20 August, 1838.
(2) Thomas Henry, born 3 September, 1840.
(3) Albert Davis, born 20 October, 1842.
(4) Mary Abby, born 6 May, 1845.
(5) Maria Adaliza, born 29 December, 1850.

108

JOHN DENISON (John,[5] John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 24 December, 1807; died ——; married Mary Ann Cook, 24 December, 1833. She was born 8 January, 1807, and died 24 March, 1851. They resided in Griswold, Conn.

Children:

(1) Sarah Esther, born 30 August, 1835; died 14 June, 1836.
(2) Eliza Tyler, born 3 July, 1838.

(3) Samuel Leonard, born 5 August, 1840.
(4) Harriet Pauline, born 23 January, 1843.
(5) Louisa Adelaide, born 18 January, 1847.

109

DAVID AUSTIN (Elijah D.,[5] John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 17 August, 1824, in Griswold, Conn.; married 15 September, 1857, Sarah Leonard. She was born 18 August, 1829.

Children, all born in Griswold, Conn.:

146 (1) Albert Stanton, born 2 October, 1858; married Edith Estelle Young, 12 October, 1886.
147 (2) Edward Austin, born 5 January, 1861; married 26 October, 1887, Margaret Frink, daughter of Albert Frink. She was born 6 September, 1860.
148 (3) Henry Denison, born 6 February, 1863; married, 1st, Jennie Willis; married, 2nd, Carrie Avery Northrop.
149 (4) Joseph Tyler, born 5 October, 1865; married 21 November, 1888, Sadie Eveline Wood.

110

JOHN W. (Moses T.,[5] John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born in Jewett City, Conn., 16 December, 1828; married in Cortland, N. Y., 26 February, 1856, Mary L., daughter of Mary Curtis and P. C. Rawley. She was born 12 March, 1832. Residence "Meadowlands" near Auburn, N. Y.

Child:

Romain Lottie, born in Cortland, N. Y., 12 June, 1858; married 4 December, 1878, Wallace E. Shank. Seven children:

(a) Anna Belle, born 26 September, 1879.
(b) Myra Louise, born 12 November, 1880.
(c) Charles Rawley, born 7 February, 1882; married 3 September, 1907,

Nathaniel B. Geer

Emma C. Yawger, and has a son, Philip Geer, born 12 December, 1911.

(d) Wallace Edwin, born 4 March, 1883; died 11 September, 1884.

(e) Edith Romain, born 28 November, 1884.

(f) Karl Rupert, born 23 June, 1889.

(g) Maurice Earle, born 23 June, 1889; died 14 September, 1890.

III

CYRUS G. (David,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 27 February, 1811; died 16 May, 1883; married 31 March, 1836, Eunice Stark. She was born 13 July, 1812; died 30 November, 1860. They resided in Lebanon, Conn.

Children:

150 (1) Cyrus Stark, born 29 June, 1838; died 9 April, 1887; married 13 September, 1873; Mary Elizabeth York.

(2) David Gallup, born 19 July, 1840; died 7 August, 1882.

151 (3) Charles Franklin, born 21 November, 1842; married 21 November, 1871, Elizabeth Prudence Wightman.

152 (4) Joseph Nelson, born 4 December, 1847; died 11 April, 1912; married 18 March, 1874, Julia Elizabeth, daughter of Jabez Perkins.

112

WILLIAM FRANKLIN (David,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 30 June, 1812; died ——; married Mary Jane Lathrop, 22 October, 1837. They resided in Salina, N. Y.

Children:

(1) William Cyrus, born 10 October, 1840.

(2) Mary Jane, born 24 December, 1843; died 8 September, 1846.
(3) Andrew Lathrop, born 15 February, 1848.
(4) Mary Elizabeth, born 21 June, 1850.
(5) David Wesley, born 20 September, 1853; died 1 September, 1854.

113

DAVID (David,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 5 March, 1821; died ——; married Lorinda Smith, 27 March, 1844. She was born 1 June, 1825.

Children:

(1) Erastus Stanton, born 6 March, 1845.
(2) William Smith, born 20 May, 1849.

114

ERASTUS (David,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 9 October, 1823; died ——; married Almira R. Saxton, 12 May, 1852. She was born 7 January, 1837, and died 30 May, 1853.

Child:

William S., born 15 March, 1853.

115

MARCUS JUNIUS (William S.,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 6 February, 1822; died ——; married Mary E. McCartey, 26 December, 1849. She died 20 February, 1853.

Children:

(1) William Stanton, born 20 October, 1850; died 3 December, 1852.
(2) Ira McCartey, born 12 November, 1852.

116

JAMES MONROE (William S.,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 15 November, 1824; died 12

July, 1908; married 8 October, 1856, Helen Hopkins. She was the daughter of Jerusha Whitney and Anson Hopkins, was born 7 July, 1832, and died 26 February, 1913.

Children:

(1) Helen Eliza, born 10 June, 1858; not married. Graduated Syracuse University, Ph.B., 1881; teacher at Wilson, N. Y., 1893-4; of Sciences, Sandy Hill High School, since 1896. Address, Solvay, New York, R. F. D.

153 (2) William Anson, born 3 September, 1860; married 4 June, 1890, Caroline Munro.

154 (3) James Brewster, born 14 August, 1867; married 1 November, 1894, Harriet Munro, sister of Caroline above.

(4) Mary Emeline, born 2 October, 1870; died 27 March, 1872.

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ROBERT NELSON (Robert,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 17 January, 1822, in Florida, N. Y.; died 7 November, 1890, in Syracuse, N. Y.; married Sophia M. Ward, 5 April, 1843. She was born 3 January, 1825, and died 29 November, 1885; married, 2nd, 21 September, 1887, Lucy A. Gere.

Children:

(1) William Stanton, born 5 June, 1848; died 17 October, 1852.

(2) Anna Sophia, born 12 December, 1851; died 10 October, 1852.

155 (3) Robert Ward, born 4 September, 1854; died 13 September, 1902; married Emma Becker, 27 September, 1876. Lived in Syracuse, N. Y.

(4) George Franklin, born 22 December, 1856; died in infancy.

(5) Martha Tyler, born 14 December, 1859; married 29 June, 1880, Edmund Ashley Hudson. Lives in Syracuse.

Children:

(a) Anna Sophia, born 9 June, 1881; married, 23 October, 1907, Dr. Linus Worthington Bagg. One daughter, Barbara Hudson, born 14 September, 1910. They live in Newark, N. J.

(b) Jeanette Ashley, born 14 August, 1885; married Leon Frederick Smith, 19 October, 1909. One daughter, Martha Hudson, born 14 April, 1912.

156 (6) Irving Nelson, born 3 March, 1862; married 8 April, 1885, Frances Groves Kent. Lives in Syracuse.

Children:

(a) Ward Nelson, born 17 December, 1886.

(b) Edwin Clarence, born 12 July, 1889.

(c) Frances Kent, born 11 November, 1897.

118

GEORGE CLINTON (Robert,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 26 April, 1824, in Florida, N. Y.; died ——; married, in Geddes, N. Y., Adelia Manzer, 23 June, 1852. She was born in March, 1832, and died ——.

Children:

(1) Alice Belden, born 5 December, 1863; married Harry H. Terry. He died 25 February, 1889. She lives at Camillus, N. Y.

Child:

Gertrude Loomis, born 5 December, 1888; married 16 December, 1911, Richard J. Probasco.

(2) David Manzer, born 25 June, 1865; married, 22 October, 1890, Sarah Saphronia Munro. Lives at Syracuse, N. Y.

Children:

(a) Howard Munro, born 22 March,1893.

(b) Sophia Stanton, born 17 November, 1897.

(3) Sophia Stanton, born 22 September, 1867; married William Westfall. Lives at St. Paul, Minn.

Child:

William.

(4) George Edgar, born 31 August, 1873; married ——. Lives at St. Paul, Minn.

Children:

(a) Alice.

(b) Oliver.

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WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON (Robert,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 14 August, 1829, in Geddes, N. Y.; died in Syracuse, 14 January, 1909; married, 1st, in Amsterdam, 3 October, 1854, Octavia Frances Cady. She was born 30 July, 1833, in Sullivan, N. Y., and died 3 September, 1888, in Syracuse, N. Y. He married, 2nd, 9 October, 1889, Sarah Phelps.

Children:

(1) Anna, born 15 October, 1855, in Sullivan; married, 18 September, 1877, in Syracuse, Charles H. Hawley. He was born 29 June, 1851, in Lyons, N. Y., and died 29 June, 1907. She lives in Syracuse.

Children:

(a) An infant son; died.

(b) Grace Gere, born 26 January, 1883; married J. F. Lyon, 25 October, 1905. Children: Anna Hawley, born 19 September, 1906; James F., Jr., born 9 January, 1909; William Gere, born 1 December, 1913.

(c) Mary Frances, born 24 December, 1885; married Maynard H. Salmon, 15 November, 1910.

(d) William Gere, born 18 November, 1890.

(2) Daniel Cady, born 19 January, 1858; died 16 March, 1886. Syracuse University, B.S., 1879, M.S., 1882; with Syracuse Iron Works, 1879-81; Onondaga Iron Co., 1881-3; Gere & Co., coal dealers, 1883-6.

(3) Grace, born 29 December, 1862; married, 12 November, 1884, Frank C. Soule. Lives in Syracuse.

Children:

(a) Infant son, born 15 November, 1885; died 18 November, 1885.

(b) Oscar F., born 17 March, 1890; married Dorothy Smith, 17 April, 1912.

(c) Robert G., born 8 April, 1892; married Beatrice Holden, 14 January, 1914.

(4) William Buell, born 26 May, 1868; married Annabel Brumelkamp, in Syracuse, 17 November, 1891.

Children:

(a) Neeltje, born 21 April, 1893.

(b) Elizabeth Cady, born 13 December, 1908.

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NATHAN STANTON (Robert,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 16 August, 1832, in Geddes, N. Y.; died 30 January, 1885; married Mary L. Sweet, in Camillus, N. Y., 29 August, 1855. She was born 6 October, 1834, and died ——.

Children:

(1) Howard S., born 31 July, 1857; died 9 August, 1859.

(2) George Hubert, born 3 May, 1859; married, 1st, Mary Belle Stewart, 21 October, 1885, she died 13 November, 1900; married, 2nd, Marion Louise Thomas, 11 November, 1909. President of the

Monitor Boat and Engine Company, Newark, N. J.

Children:

(a) Stewart.
(b) Doris, born 23 December, 1890.
(c) Mary Belle, born and died, 13 November, 1900.

(3) Fanny Sophia, born 20 June, 1862; married Joseph Burr Tiffany, 23 October, 1884. Lives in Yonkers, N. Y.

Children:

(a) Anna Cuyler, born 6 September, 1885.
(b) Joe Burr, Jr., born 30 January, 1888. Lives in Vancouver, B. C.
(c) Vera, born 28 March, 1890.
(d) Stanton Gere, born 19 January, 1895.

(4) Stanton Sweet, born 31 December, 1865; died 30 October, 1867.

(5) Robert, born 21 August, 1868; married 6 November, 1895, Kathrine B. Filer. No children. Lives in Yonkers.

(6) Infant son, born and died 25 January, 1870.

(7) James Belden (Doctor), born 18 November, 1872; married, 26 November, 1902, Florence Beatrice Carr. Lives in New York. No children.

121

DAVID (Isaac W.,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born in Ledyard, Conn., 13 September, 1832; died ——; married ——, Eunice Orinda Witter.

Children:

(1) Mary Louisa, born 19 August, 1865, in Plainfield, Conn.; married 17 November, 1900, Clarence Putnam Knight in Brooklyn, Conn. He was born 26 September, 1859, in Salem, Mass. One child: Dorothy Crary, born 27 October, 1901; died 12 August, 1903. Mrs. Knight was edu-

cated at the High School, Danielson, Conn., and has been teacher (oral) of the deaf for four years. Address, American School for Deaf, Asylum Avenue, Hartford, Conn.

157 (2) Charles David, born in Plainfield, Conn., 20 July, 1869; married in St. Louis, Missouri, 30 June, 1903, Ora Lee Owen.

(3) Jennie Witter, born ——; died ——.

(4) Angeline Latham, born ——; died ——.

(5) Isaac Wheeler.

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EDWARD (Isaac,[5] Nathan,[4] Isaac, Jr.,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 19 December, 1798, in Northampton, Mass.; died in Williamsburg, Mass., 24 September, 1832; married 14 October, 1824, Arabelle Williams. He attended Yale College; was a farmer by occupation. Lived in Williamsburg, Mass.

Children:

158 (1) Edward Williams, born 6 April, 1826; died 5 March, 1893.

159 (2) Henry Sherwood, born 30 April, 1828.

(3) Collins, born 25 November, 1830; died 22 April, 1882.

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GILBERT, JR. (Gilbert,[5] Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born at Troy, N. Y., 8 May, 1827; married Adeline Frances Mosher, 21 November, 1850. Lived in Troy, N. Y.

Child:

160 Harvey Mosher, born at Troy, N. Y., 22 February, 1851; married 19 September, 1878, Caroline Akin.

124

CHARLES HENRY (Gilbert,[5] Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 9 January, 1831; married Julia Rath.

Children:

(1) Jennie, married H. T. Whited.
(2) Harry S.
161 (3) Frederick Marshall, born 28 September, 1869; married 26 November, 1902, Minnie Van Norden.
(4) George T.

125

GEORGE SPENCER (Gilbert,[5] Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 17 May, 1836; married Martha Clarke Hamilton.

He was a member of the original crew of the Monitor during the Civil War, and was on her when she fought the Merrimac in Hampton Roads, Virginia, Sunday, 9 March, 1862. He was also one of the crew that was saved from her at the time she was sunk in a gale off Cape Hatteras, 31 December, 1862. He continued in the service on several other vessels during the war, and was honorably discharged as First Assistant Engineer at the close of the war.

Children:

162 (1) William Clarke, born 29 September, 1859; married 5 September, 1882, Emma Kate Everingham.
(2) Gilbert M., born 2 September, 1861.
(3) Frank H., born 15 April, 1866; married Jessie Snyder; one child, Dorothy.
(4) Clara S., born 22 October, 1868; married Charles H. Sexton; two children, Mabel and Charles.
163 (5) George Worden, born 3 May, 1873; married September, 1896, Marian C. Russell.
(6) Arthur, born 12 September, 1880; died ——.
(7) Mattie S., born 10 March, 1882; married J. Leslie Snyder; one child, Donald.

126

JOHN AVERY (Samuel,[5] Gurdon,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in Groton, Conn., 25 November, 1820;

died 15 April, 1895; married Lucretia Elizabeth Rogers, 24 January, 1842.

Child:

164 Curtis Manning, born in Hadlyme, Conn., 11 August, 1864; married Mary L. Gillette, 9 September, 1890.

127

HAROLD (Seth,[5] Benjamin,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in 1806; died 31 January, 1854; married Rachel Berrian.

Children:

(1) Seth Edwin, born in 1829.
(2) Harold Lindsley, born in 1833; died in 1837.
(3) William Henry, born 25 December, 1834.

128

SETH (Seth,[5] Benjamin,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in 1814; died ——; married Harriet Seaman.

Children:

(1) William Walter, born in 1844.
(2) Mary Seaman.
(3) Alexander Whiting, born in 1848.

129

DARIUS W. (Darius,[5] Benjamin,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 21 January, 1818; died ——; married Sarah M. Ransom.

Children:

(1) Ella Ransom.
(2) Nelson Mills, born 13 July, 1848.
(3) Edward Winslow, born 9 March, 1850.

130

GEORGE WARREN (Darius,[5] Benjamin,[4] Jacob,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 31 July, 1824; died ——; married Cornelia M. Mumford.

Children:

(1) Gurdon Saltonstall Mumford, born 8 March, 1847.
(2) Mary Ransom.
(3) John Osgood, born 12 February, 1850.
(4) Letitia Mumford.

131

GEORGE W. (Wheeler,[5] Uzziel,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 27 March, 1806; died 21 February, 1886; married, Betsey Button, 24 October, 1827. He was master of a sailing ship at the age of eighteen, and was interested in shipping and a builder of ships all his life. For over twenty years he was Inspector of Customs at Norwich, Conn.

Children:

165 (1) George W., born 22 July, 1828; died 9 January, 1913; married Elizabeth Mitchell, 12 May, 1849. Lived in Providence, R. I.

166 (2) Charles Henry, born 27 September, 1830. Lives in Norwich, Conn.

167 (3) Oliver Joseph, born 23 January, 1834; died 13 November, 1903; married 13 February, 1855, Eliza Rogers Raymond.

(4) Elizabeth M., born 5 July, 1836; died ——.

(5) Susannah B., born 11 February, 1839; died ——.

(6) Eunice Ann, born at Norwich, Conn., 19 June, 1841; married 6 January, 1864, Edgar W. Tennant.

Children:

(a) George Chester, born at Norwich, Conn., 25 January, 1865; married at Chester, Penn., 3 October, 1888, Clara Caroline Ott, who was born at Smyrna, Del., 14 June, 1868. No children. Residence, 330 West 9th Street, Chester, Penn.

(b) Alice Evelyn, born 3 August, 1868; married at Vineland, N. J., 28 July,

1890, Louis C. Neff. Two daughters: Helen M., born 7 October, 1899; died 12 December, 1907; Mildred E., born 23 April, 1903. Residence, Brooklyn, N. Y.

(7) Frances Jane, born 3 November, 1843; died ——.

(8) Robert Cleaveland, born 19 December, 1848; died ——.

132

EDWARD LAW (Jeremiah,[5] Rezin,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 3 June, 1799; died ——; married Mary Follet, 20 November, 1822.

Children:

(1) Mary E., born 31 October, 1823.

(2) Sarah A., born 22 May, 1825; died 6 August, 1826.

(3) Angeline M., born 12 April, 1827; married Abner Stanton, 25 November, 1852.

(4) Catherine A., born 12 April, 1829; died 12 January, 1830.

(5) Jeremiah C., born 13 November, 1830; married Sarah J. Beers, 12 October, 1853.

(6) Jane O., born 30 April, 1833; died 7 September, 1834.

(7) Susan J., born 16 September, 1835; died 15 January, 1843.

(8) Robert L., born 7 April, 1838.

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GEORGE MORGAN (Jeremiah,[5] Rezin,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 15 March, 1801, in Norwich, Conn.; died 13 October, 1871, in Chatfield, Minn.; married Sarah Champlin Parke, 20 November, 1822, daughter of Thomas Parke. She was born in Springville, Pa., 5 December, 1802, and died in Chatfield, Minn., 19 April, 1874.

Children:

(1) Sarah M., born 19 December, 1824; died young.

(2) Edwin B., born 22 January, 1828.
(3) William B., born 29 January, 1830.
(4) Helen L., born 25 March, 1832; died young.
(5) Mary L., born 16 May, 1834.
(6) Helen A., born 22 February, 1837.
(7) Charles T., born 1 March, 1839; died young.
(8) Thomas Parke, born 10 September, 1842; married Mary Emeline Shepard, in 1874, and lives in Sioux City, Iowa.

134

ALBERT R. (Stephen,[5] Rezin,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 29 April, 1822; died ——; married Sarah E. Tewksbury, 3 July, 1845.

Children:

(1) William R., born 17 June, 1846.
(2) George L., born 21 December, 1848.
(3) Charles E., born 4 August, 1850.
(4) Mary E., born 5 June, 1852.
(5) Harriet E., born 14 February, 1854.

SEVENTH GENERATION

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JEPHTHAH (Jephthah,[6] Thomas,[5] Stephen,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 13 February, 1804; died 3 December, 1870; married, 1st, Olive Starkweather, 11 December, 1828; married, 2nd, Mary L. Kimball. Olive was born 14 October, 1805, in Preston, Conn., and died 24 October, 1838, in Windham, Conn.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Henry Belcher, born 8 January, 1836, in Windham, Conn.; died 18 April, 1900; married Mary Elizabeth Carey, who was born 21 April, 1841. He was a jeweller by trade.

(2) Sidney Leonard, born 17 September, 1838, in Windham, Conn.; died 18 April, 1906; married, 1865, Harriet Perry, who is also deceased. He was a dentist in Norwich, Conn.

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HOLLIBUT W. (Jephthah,[6] Thomas,[5] Stephen,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 8 March, 1810; died ——; married, 1st, Lucy Coats; married, 2nd, Sally Ann Jilson.

Children, by 2nd wife:

(1) Lucy A.

(2) Henry.

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ISAAC SIDNEY (Jephthah,[6] Thomas,[5] Stephen,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 7 April, 1814; died ——; married Abby L. Brewster, 25 November, 1836. She was born 8 March, 1820.

Children:

(1) Susan L., born 6 December, 1838.

(2) Sidney B., born 18 October, 1845.

Ira J. Geer

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IRA JEWETT (Jewett Holland,[6] Ira,[5] John,[4] Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born 29 May, 1858, in Peru, Berkshire Co., Mass.; married 2 June, 1887, in Chicago, Ill., Clara Judd Goudy, daughter of Hon. William C. Goudy. She was born in Lewistown, Ill., 26 July, 1858. He graduated at Williams College, A. B., 1882. Taught in Hill School, Pottstown, Penn., for one year, and has since practiced law in Chicago. He is Vice-President and Director Chicago Nursery and Half Orphan Asylum, Trustee Chicago Academy of Sciences, Trustee and Secretary McCormick Theological Seminary, Trustee Deerfield-Shields Township High School. He is also member of University Club, Chicago, Exmoor Country Club, Highland Park Club, Zeta Psi Fraternity, and of the Art Institute, and Academy of Sciences, Chicago. Also Vice-President and Director North Shore Trust Company; and President of Trustees of Fourth Presbyterian Church, Chicago. Residence: 310 Prospect Ave., Highland Park, Ill.

Children:

(1) William Jewett, born 25 November, 1888, in Chicago, graduate Cornell, A. B., 1912.

(2) Harold Raymond, born 3 December, 1896, in Chicago.

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GEORGE JARVIS (George Jarvis,[6] Alpheus,[5] Elijah,[4] Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born in Ballston Spa, N. Y., 25 October, 1846; married, in New York City, 11 June, 1873, Louise Goodman, daughter of Hon. Henry Horace and Esther (Langdon) Goodman. He was graduated from Columbia College, E. M., in 1868. Is Manager of B. Priestley & Co. and Courtaulds, Limited, President of Cravenette Co., U. S. A.; a life member of the Holland Lodge F. & A. M.; Chamber of Commerce, Museum of Natural History. Clubs: University, Church. He is now living at 23 East 64th Street, New York City.

Children:

(1) Louise, born 23 May, 1874; married Dr. Herbert Buddington Wilcox, 25 November, 1905. Lives at 159 E. 70th Street, New York City.

Children:

(a) Herbert Buddington, Jr., born 16 April, 1908.
(b) Geer, born 6 January, 1910.
(c) George Gunton, born 25 November, 1913.

(2) George Jarvis, Jr., born 12 January, 1876. He was graduated from Princeton College in 1897. Lives at 23 East 64th Street, New York City.

(3) Marshall, born 1 October, 1877. He was graduated from Princeton College in 1899. Married Mabel B. Shultz, 8 October, 1903. Member firm of Dick Bros. & Co. Lives at Millburn, Essex County, N. J.

Children:

(a) Louise, born 20 June, 1906.
(b) Marshall, Jr., born 3 December, 1911.
(c) Irving Shultz, born 29 November, 1913.

(4) Langdon, born 23 October, 1880; married Dorothy Quincy Roosevelt, 5 October, 1907. Lives at 301 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

Child:

Langdon Roosevelt, born 9 August, 1911.

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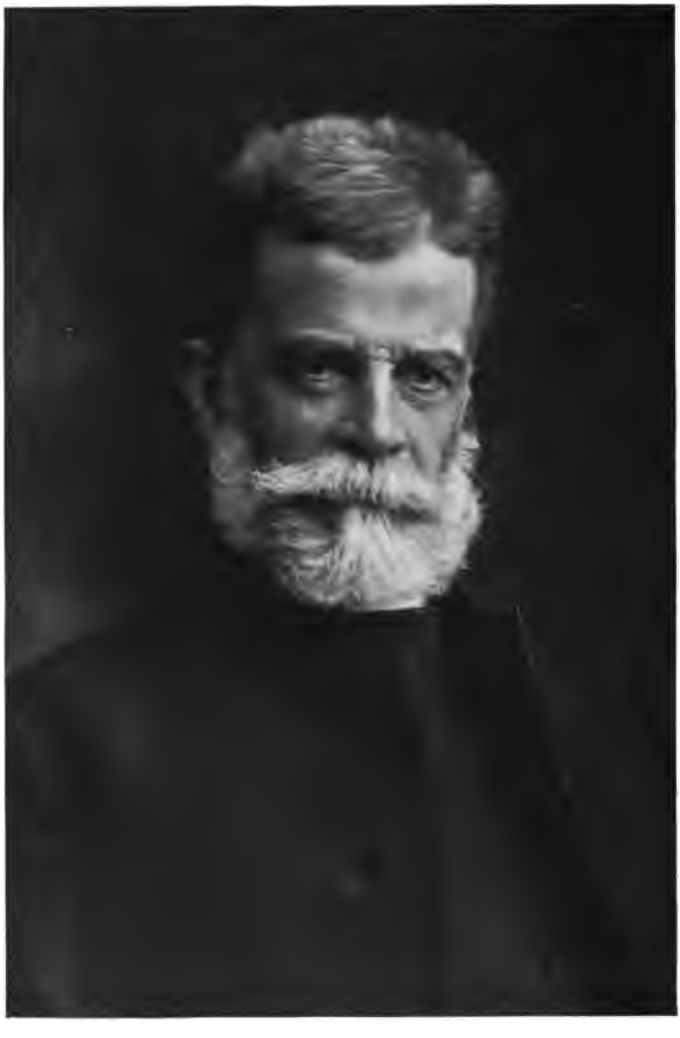
WILLIAM MONTAGUE (George Jarvis,[6] Alpheus,[5] Elijah,[4] Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born in Ballston Spa, N. Y., 9 April, 1848; married in New York City, 8 April, 1880, Katharine Gridley Throop, eldest daughter of Enos Thompson and Cornelia Gridley Throop. She died in 1906. Graduated from Columbia College, A. B., in 1869, A. M. in 1872; admitted to the New York Bar in 1872; General Theological Seminary in 1878. Ordained Deacon in 1878, ordained Priest in 1879,

Geo. J. Geen



Wm Montague Geer

in ministry of the Episcopal Church by Bishop Horatio Potter; assistant to Rev. (afterward Bishop) Henry Y. Satterlee; Rector of Zion Church, Wappingers Falls, N. Y., in 1878-79; Rector of St. John's Church, North Adams, Mass., in 1879-80; Christ Church, Oyster Bay, Long Island, in 1880-88; Assistant Minister in 1888-94, Vicar since 1894, St. Paul's Chapel, Trinity Parish, New York City. Inaugurated noon-day services, and midnight services (2.30 A. M.) for printers and other night workers in St. Paul's Chapel, and founded first Business Women's Club for stenographers and typewriters and others. Member of N. Y. Churchmen's Association (President, 1898); Trustee General Theological Seminary from 1894 to 1913, Society for Promotion of Religion and Learning, New York Diocese, Trinity School and St. Agatha's School of New York City, Honorary Member of the Seawanhaka-Corinthian Yacht Club (was its fleet-chaplain, 1900-01); member Century Association. Residence: 60 W. 84th Street. Office: 29 Vesey Street, New York City.

Children:

(1) Isabel Montague, born 13 April, 1881.
(2) Enos Throop, born 6 February, 1883. Graduated at Columbia, 1904.
(3) William Montague, Jr., born 24 July, 1885. Graduated at Columbia, 1906.
(4) Garrow Throop, born 26 April, 1887; married Marion L. Firth. Lives in San Diego, Cal.

Child:

Garrow Throop, Jr., born in February, 1913.

(5) Katharine Throop, born 14 December, 1889; died 23 May, 1890.
(6) Francis Hunt, born 10 October, 1891.
(7) Cornelia Throop, born 15 February, 1894.
(8) Gertrude Marshall, born 4 October, 1896.

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ALPHEUS (George J.,[6] Alpheus,[5] Elijah,[4] Ezra,[3] Joseph,[2] George[1]), was born in New York City, 4 February, 1863; mar-

ried, in New York, Florence Montague Smith, 1 June, 1893. She was born in New York, 8 October, 1865, daughter of Sarah C. Baldwin and Clarence H. Smith. He is a silk manufacturer. Veteran, Squadron "A," New York National Guard Cavalry; member New York Athletic Club, National Arts Club, Yountakah Country Club. Resides in Nutley, N. J.

Children:

(1) Alpheus Montague, born 6 July, 1894.
(2) Margaret Montague, born 23 May, 1896.

142

GEORGE (Nathan,[6] Nathan,[5] Nathan,[4] Daniel, Jr.,[3] Daniel,[2] George[1]), was born 7 May, 1858, in Franklin, Conn.; married 18 April, 1907, in Baltic, Conn., Grace Elizabeth, daughter of Daniel Parker and Josephine Rice. She was born 19 September, 1874, in Pawtucket, R. I. No children. He is a farmer. Residence, Plain Hill, Norwich, Conn.

143

AMOS M. (Amos,[6] Amos, Jr.,[5] Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 25 March, 1828; died ——; married Mellissa R. Pierson, 4 June, 1851.

Child:

Eva Melissa, born 19 January, 1853.

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ROBERT CLINTON (Robert,[6] Amos, Jr.,[5] Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born in Goshen, Conn., 10 October, 1840; married in Sharon, Conn., 20 April, 1881, Gertrude Baldwin, daughter of Robert Worthington Smith, M. D. Business, the management of estates. Residence, 145 East 35th St., New York.

Child:

Gertrude Livingston, born 1 January, 1884; died in September, 1884.

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ISAAC GALLUP (Jacob Allyn,[6] Amos, Jr.,[5] Amos,[4] Robert, Jr.,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 24 July, 1848; married 4 January, 1888; in Gales Ferry, Conn., Amanda Chase Belden, who was born 8 March, 1864, in Ledyard, Conn., daughter of James H. Belden and Mary Augusta Allyn. He was educated in the common schools, is a farmer; has been School Visitor, Selectman, and Representative to General Assembly. Resides Ledyard, Conn.

Children:

(1) Earl Belden, born 10 August, 1890.
(2) Florence Allyn, born 1 January, 1896.

146

ALBERT STANTON (David A.,[6] Elijah D.,[5] John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born at Griswold, Conn., 2 October, 1858; married at Voluntown, Conn., 12 October, 1886, Edith Estelle, daughter of Orrin Young. She was born in Griswold, 7 January, 1866. He is a farmer and mill overseer. Residence, Three Rivers, Mass.

Child:

Robert Leonard, born 10 August, 1887.

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EDWARD AUSTIN (David A.,[6] Elijah D.,[5] John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 5 January, 1861, in Griswold, Conn.; married 26 October, 1887, in Sterling, Conn., Margaret, daughter of Albert Frink. He owns a farm which has been in the Geer family about 225 years. Resides Griswold, Conn.

Children:

(1) Bertha Louise, born 29 July, 1889.
(2) Harold Frink, born 28 May, 1892.
(3) Clarence Edward, born 7 September, 1894; died 17 March, 1912.

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HENRY DENISON (David A.,[6] Elijah D.,[5] John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 6 February, 1863, in Griswold, Conn.; married ——, in Niantic, Conn., Jennie, daughter of Henry Willis. She was born 8 January, 1867, in Groton, Conn., and died ——. He married, 2nd, Carrie Avery, daughter of Isaac Northrop. She was born 8 March, 1875, in Groton. He is a farmer and fruit grower. Residence, Three Rivers, Mass.

Child by 1st marriage:

(1) Jennie Lucy, born 15 June, 1890.

Children by 2nd marriage:

(2) Everett Austin, born 17 March, 1893.
(3) James Clifford, born 30 August, 1896.

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JOSEPH TYLER (David A.,[6] Elijah D.,[5] John W.,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 5 October, 1865, in Griswold, Conn.; married 21 November, 1888, in Uncasville, Conn., Sadie Eveline, daughter of Joseph Jared Wood. She was born 17 October, 1867, in Uncasville. He is a farmer and fruit grower. Resides South Belchertown, Mass.

Children:

(1) Joseph Wood, born 3 October, 1889; died 28 November, 1889.
(2) Mabel, born 22 March, 1891; married 25 September, 1912, Albert Roscoe Jenks, of Three Rivers, Mass.
(3) Alice, born 28 August, 1893; married 1 January, 1914, Gaston Edward Laboutely of Lynn, Mass.
(4) Herbert Leroy, born 27 July, 1898.

150

CYRUS STARK (Cyrus G.,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 29 June, 1838; died 9 April, 1887; married 13 September, 1873, Mary Elizabeth York.

Children:

(1) David Henry, born 6 September, 1874; married in Lebanon, Conn., 3 August, 1892. Lives at at Rye, N. Y. Children:

(a) Edna Louise, born 10 February, 1893.
(b) Howard Stark, born 18 March, 1894.
(c) David Lloyd, born 16 May, 1895.

(2) Edith May, born ——; married ——; lives at Jamaica Villa Park, L. I.

(3) Theron Stark, born ——; married ——; lives at Middletown, Conn.

151

CHARLES FRANKLIN (Cyrus G.,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 21 November, 1842; married 21 November, 1871, Elizabeth Prudence Whitman. She was born 21 November, 1837, and died 2 April, 1900. No children. He was a member of Company C 18th, Connecticut Volunteer Infanry; enlisted 5 August, 1862, and was honorably discharged at Harper's Ferry, 27 June, 1865. Soon after his return to his home in Lebanon he took up the merchandising line of business which he followed for many years. Address, 76 West Town St., Norwichtown, Conn.

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JOSEPH NELSON (Cyrus G.,[6] David,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 4 December, 1847, at Lebanon, Conn.; died 11 April, 1912; married 18 March, 1874, Julia Elizabeth, daughter of Jabez Perkins and Martha Taylor (Robinson) Manning. She was born 18 August, 1856, at Lebanon.

Children:

(1) Charles Manning, born 19 November, 1875, at Lebanon; married 23 June, 1898, Ola Caroline, daughter of Clifton and Huldah Marion Preston (Peck). She was born 22 September, 1880, at Canterbury, Conn.

Children, born at Franklin, Conn.:

(a) Le Roy Nelson, born 27 June, 1899.
(b) Myra Carolyn, born 28 October, 1906.

(2) Eunice Elsie, born 23 January, 1880; married 30 November, 1909, Arthur John, son of Isaac B. and Sarah H. (Breed) Stevens. He was born 16 August, 1877, in East Pepperell, Mass.

Child:

Ruth Elizabeth, born 17 April, 1913, at Providence, R. I. Resides in Providence.

(3) Elmer Nelson, born 11 June, 1889.
(4) Clarence Gallup, born 11 April, 1893.

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WILLIAM ANSON (James M.,[6] William S.,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 3 September, 1860; married 4 June, 1890, Caroline Munro, the sister of Harriet, who married his brother James Brewster. Four children. Graduated Syracuse University, A.B., 1881. Residence, 301 East Kennedy St., Syracuse, N. Y.

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JAMES BREWSTER (James M.,[6] William S.,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born 14 August, 1867, in Belle Isle, New York; married 1 November, 1894, in Belle Isle, Harriet, daughter of Henry S. and Sophronia W. Munro. Educated at Syracuse High School; President Gere Coal Company, and Onondaga Vitrified Brick Company. Member Citizens' Club, F. A. Masons, B. P. O. Elks, director West End Citizens' Club. Residence, 1802 West Genesee St., Syracuse, N. Y.

Children:

(1) Wendell, born 28 September, 1897.
(2) James Brewster, born 17 June, 1900.
(3) Caroline, born 25 May, 1902.
(4) Donald Kerr, born 27 December, 1903.

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ROBERT WARD (Robert N.,[6] Robert,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born in Syracuse, 4 September, 1854; died 13 September, 1902; married Emma Legg Becker, 27 September, 1876. Lived in Syracuse.

Children:

(1) Laura Ellen, born 13 July, 1877.
(2) Robert Nelson, born 27 June, 1879; died 6 July, 1902.
(3) Charles Bissell, born 11 November, 1881; married Sophie Smith, 24 June, 1909. She was born 25 August, 1884.
    Children:
    (a) Sarah Burgess, born 12 September, 1910.
    (b) Robert, born 15 November, 1911.
(4) Edith, born 25 September, 1884.
(5) Eunice Mappa, born 7 June, 1890; died 1 May, 1891.

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IRVING NELSON (Robert N.,[6] Robert,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born in Syracuse, N. Y., 3 March, 1862; married 8 April, 1885, Frances Groves Kent. Lives in Syracuse.

Children:

(1) Ward Nelson, born 17 December, 1886.
(2) Edwin Clarence, born 12 July, 1889.
(3) Frances Kent, born 11 November, 1897.

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CHARLES DAVID (David,[6] Isaac W.,[5] David,[4] Ebenezer,[3] Robert,[2] George[1]), was born in Plainfield, Conn., 20 July, 1869; married in St. Louis, Missouri, 30 June, 1903, Ora Lee, daughter of Eliza Lee and George Washington Owen. He is a professional singer, teacher and director; director of

many singing societies; resided in St. Louis from 1901-1909, since then in Ledyard, Conn. Address, Ledyard, Conn.

Children:

(1) Charles David, Jr., born 23 May, 1904.
(2) George Owen, born 24 August, 1906.
(3) Marian, born 26 February, 1908.
(4) Richard Witter, born 13 March, 1911.

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EDWARD WILLIAMS (Edward,[6] Isaac,[5] Nathan,[4] Isaac, Jr.,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 8 April, 1826, in Williamsburg, Mass.; died 5 March, 1893, Leamington Spa, England; married, 1st, at Walpole, Mass., 21 January, 1856, Mary Elizabeth Baker, who was born 10 August, 1829, and died in November, 1860; married, 2nd, in Gloucester, England, 4 August, 1868, Emma March, who died in 1870; married, 3rd, in Bromwich, England, 4 December, 1872, Mary C. Cooksey. He was a brass manufacturer of the firm of Hayden, Gere & Co., Haydenville, Mass. After living in Brooklyn and New York, he removed to England in 1873 and remained there until his death.

Child by 1st wife:

(1) Annie Louise, born 31 July, 1859; married 12 October, 1887, Frank Bourne Gaylord.

Children:

(a) Gladys, born 28 July, 1888.
(b) William Minor, born 10 May, 1891.
(c) Edward Baker, born 27 January, 1897; died 6 August, 1898.

Child by second wife:

(2) Charles March, born 9 June, 1869.

Children by 3rd wife:

(3) Edward Arnold, born 9 November, 1873.
(4) Edith, born 8 April, 1875.

(5) Ethel May, born 31 March, 1877.
(6) Margaret, born 23 August, 1878.
(7) Robert Hudson, born in October, 1880.

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HENRY SHERWOOD (Edward,[6] Isaac,[5] Nathan,[4] Isaac, Jr.,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 30 April, 1828, Williamsburg, Mass.; married 22 August, 1849, in Easthampton, Mass., Martha Clark, born 27 May, 1831, in Easthampton, Mass., the daughter of Simeon Parsons and Dorcas Clapp Clark. He was educated at Wilbraham Academy and Williston Seminary; Amherst College, A.M., (honorary), 1890. In 1847 became editor Northampton Courier and in 1858 editor of Hampshire Gazette—continuous services. Was treasurer of Hampshire County 18 years, Member of School Committee six years, Secretary and Treasurer 52nd Regiment M. V. M., from organization to present time. Residence, 75 High St., Northampton, Mass.

Children:

(1) George Sherwood, born 15 July, 1850.
(2) Collins Henry, born 19 June, 1854.
(3) Edward Clark, born 3 April, 1856.
(4) Frederick, born 6 April, 1861; died 4 March, 1867.
(5) Mary Elizabeth, born 29 April, 1867.
(6) William Henry, born 10 August, 1869.
(7) Martha Fiducia, born 8 August, 1871.

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HARVEY MOSHER (Gilbert,[6] Gilbert,[5] Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in Troy, N. Y., 22 February, 1851; married in Johnstown, N. Y., 19 September, 1878, Caroline Akin, born in Genesee, Wis., daughter of Helena St. John and Dewitt Clinton Akin. He graduated at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, in 1872, degree of Civil Engineer. Has since been engaged in practice of Civil and Hydraulic Engineering. Member of Engineer's Club (Philadelphia); American Society of Civil Engineers, New England Water Works

Association, and Zeta Psi Fraternity. Residence: Ballston Spa, N. Y.

Children:

168 (1) Howard Earl, born in Troy, N. Y., 13 October, 1879.

(2) Helena, born in Troy, N. Y., 7 July, 1881; graduated at Cornell, A. B., 1903; Columbia, A. M., 1912; is a member of the Women's University Club and Cornell Women's Club, New York; Suffragist; member of Women's Political Union and Equal Franchise Society. Residence: 50 Pineapple Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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FREDERICK MARSHALL (Charles Henry,[6] Gilbert,[5] Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 28 September, 1869, in Troy, N. Y.; married 26 November, 1902, in Troy, Minnie Van Norden, daughter of George W. Van Norden. She was born 20 March, 1874. No issue. He is Treasurer of the Hildreth-Geer Company, Cohoes, N. Y., Member Masonic Club, Commercial Club and Phoenix Lodge and Chapter. Residence, No. 1 Twelfth St., Troy, N. Y. (North End).

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WILLIAM CLARKE (George S.,[6] Gilbert,[5] Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 29 September, 1859, in Orange, N. J.; married 5 September, 1882, in Troy, N. Y., Emma Kate, daughter of Richard Everingham. She was born 24 January, 1859, in Troy, N. Y. He was educated at Gale School, Troy; is an Insurance and Real Estate broker. He is President of the Geer-Hydro-Electric Company, and Albia Box & Paper Company, Troy; Vice-President of the International Pulp Company, and of United States Talc Company, New York; Oswegatchie Light & Power Company, Gouverneur, New York, and Trojan Laundry Company, Troy; Treasurer of the Albia Land Company, Troy; Secretary of the Troy Knitting Company; and Director of the Troy Waste Mfg. Com-

Wm. C. Geer

pany, Faith Knitting Company, Boutwell Milling & Grain Company, Troy Orphan Asylum, Samaritan Hospital, and Marshall Sanitarium, Troy, N. Y. Member of Troy and Prafets Dael Clubs. Residence. 123 Second Street, Troy, N. Y.

Child:

Olive Edson, born 17 March, 1887; married Charles H. Gardner.

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GEORGE WORDEN (George Spencer,[6] Gilbert,[5] Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born 3 May, 1873, in Troy, N. Y.; married in September, 1896, in Troy, Marian C. Russell, daughter of Patrick Russell. She was born 27 April, 1873, in Glens Falls, N. Y. He is an accountant by profession. Has an adopted son, George M., born 18 December, 1897. Residence: Norwich, Conn.

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CURTIS MANNING (John A.,[6] Samuel,[5] Gurdon,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in Hadlyme, Conn., 11 August, 1864; married Mary L. Gillette, daughter of Russel and Martha Gillette, in Colchester, Conn., 9 September, 1890. He graduated from Williams College, A. B., in 1887; Hartford Theological Seminary, 1890; University of Leipzig, A. M., Ph.D., in 1894; was ordained Congregational ministry in 1890; pastor, East Windsor, Conn., in 1890-2; fellow Hartford Seminary at Leipzig, 1892-4; pastor Danvers, Mass., 1895-7; professor of history and economics, Bates College, 1897-1901; associate professor of church-history, 1901-6, and since 1906 professor, Hartford Theological Seminary. Lecturer, Hartford School of Sociology, 1894-5. Author, "The Louisiana Purchase and the Western Movement," 1904. Member Connecticut Historical Society, and American Historical Association, Secretary Connecticut Peace Society.

Children:

(1) Dorothy, born 17 June, 1891; married, 24 June, 1913, Edward E. Dissell, of Indianapolis, Ind.

(2) Russel Mortimer, born 21 December, 1894. Now a student in Williams College.
(3) Alice, born 21 September, 1896.
(4) David Livingstone, born 30 September, 1902; died 2 October, 1902.

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GEORGE W. (George W.,[6] Wheeler,[5] Uzziel,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 22 July, 1828; died 9 January, 1813; married 12 May, 1849, Elizabeth Mitchell.

Children:

169 (1) Charles William, born 12 December, 1850; died in Lynn, Mass., 13 December, 1913; married Izzette Patten of Lynn.
(2) Isabel Lawson, born 12 November, 1858; married 5 August, 1885, Frank T. Brown, a lawyer. Has two daughters, Faith, born 18 July, 1886; married 23 October, 1909, Henry Ginnel of New York (two sons: Henry, Jr., born 10 August, 1910, and Frank Brown, born 3 August, 1913), and Katharine, born 31 May, 1895. Address, Perkins Ave., Norwich, Conn.
170 (3) George Mitchell, born 17 September, 1869; married Adele Burdon of Providence, R. I.

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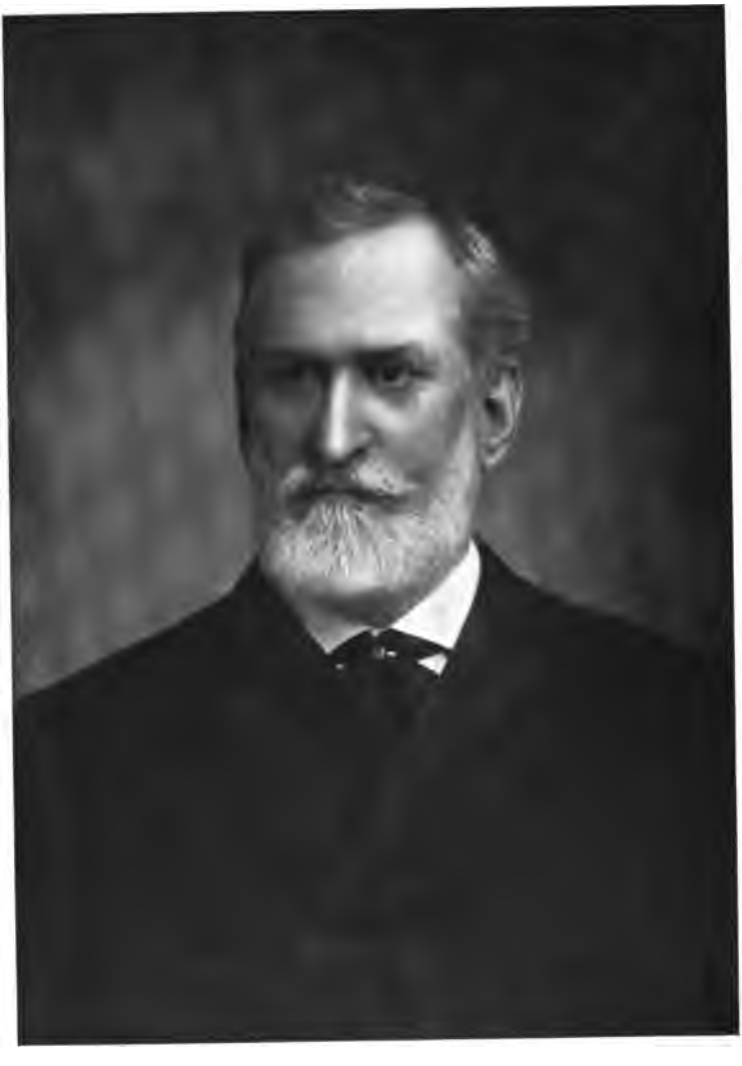
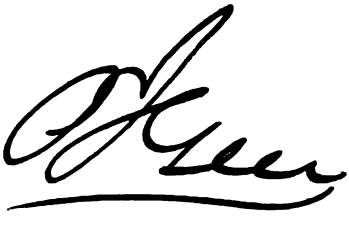
CHARLES HENRY (George W.,[6] Wheeler,[5] Uzziel,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 27 September, 1830; married 3 February, 1857, Emily J. Keables; lives in Norwich, Conn.

Children:

(1) Herbert C., born 30 June, 1858.
(2) Arthur M., born 2 December, 1859.
(3) Frank I., born 3 February, 1861; died 22 October, 1861.
(4) Susie E., born 18 November, 1862; died 8 May, 1901; married John A. Parkinson, 25 November, 1883. He died 10 October, 1891.





Children:

(a) Helen W., born 25 January, 1885.
(b) Marion R., born 3 January, 1887.
(c) Warren L., born 18 September, 1888.
(d) Earle L., born 27 July, 1891.

(5) Jeannie F., born 22 January, 1865; died 10 September, 1892.
(6) Nellie R., born 22 November, 1867; married 16 October, 1889, Calvin L. Swan.
(7) Robert F., born 15 May, 1870; died 4 January, 1898.

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OLIVER JOSEPH (George W.,[6] Wheeler,[5] Uzziel,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 23 January, 1834; died 13 November, 1903; married, 13 February, 1855, Eliza Rogers Raymond. He was educated in Norwich, Conn. Entered the transportation business in 1851. He was with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company from 1856 until his death, being General Agent of that Company, in New York, from 1882 to 1902. Was a member of the Chamber of Commerce, New York Yacht Club, New York Club, Crescent Athletic Club, and Oxford Club.

Children:

(1) Lillian Raymond, born 11 December, 1855; died 20 July, 1904.
(2) Willis Low, born 3 December, 1858; died 1 May, 1891.
(3) Alpheus Reynolds, born 21 March, 1864; died 9 July, 1893.
(4) Theodore Raymond, born 25 July, 1868; died 25 February, 1913; married Lou May Fuller, 14 January, 1890. Child: Marjorie Fuller, born 5 October, 1890.
171 (5) Edward French, born 2 January, 1872; married Blanche R. Bryant, 25 April, 1894.
(6) Ledyard Cuyler, born 6 November, 1876; married Ada Eliza Payntar, 12 June, 1901. No issue.

EIGHTH GENERATION

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HOWARD EARL (Harvey M.,[7] Gilbert,[6] Gilbert,[5] Richard,[4] George,[3] Isaac,[2] George[1]), was born in Troy, N. Y., 13 October, 1879; unmarried; graduated at Cornell, in 1901, degree of Mechanical Engineer; with Westinghouse, Church, Kerr & Co., New York, 1901-1910; since then with Raymond Concrete Pile Co.; member of Cornell University Club (New York); Manhasset Bay Yacht Club (Port Washington, L. I.); Beta Theta Pi Fraternity; and Siga Xi (honorary Scientific Society). Residence: 50 Pineapple Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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CHARLES W. (George W.,[7] George W.,[6] Wheeler,[5] Uzziel,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 12 December, 1850, in Norwich, Conn.; died 13 December, 1913, in Lynn, Mass.; married, 1st, Annie L. Warren, 14 October, 1875, in Pawtucket, R. I. She died in June, 1883. Married, 2nd, 3 January, 1887, in Lynn, Izzette, daughter of John F. Patten and Elizabeth Ellen Brimblecom. She was born 19 January, 1862. He was educated at Wilbraham Academy and Worcester Military School; was engaged in real estate and fire insurance business. He was a member of the Oxford Club, Lynn, and Sutton Chapter R. A. M., and Olivet Commandery No. 36 K. T. Mrs. Geer lives in Lynn, Mass.

Children:

(1) Lawrence Patten, born 20 December, 1891, in Lynn.
(2) Russell Patten, born 24 August, 1895, in Lynn.

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GEORGE MITCHELL (George W.,[7] George W.,[6] Wheeler,[5] Uzziel,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born 17 September, 1869; married 12 February, 1896, in Providence, R. I., Adele, daughter of George R. and Louise Burdon. She was born 22 August, 1869, in Providence. He is associated

Edward F. Keen

with the manufacturing and retailing of sterling silver, in connection with the Tilden-Thurber Co. Residence, 151 Lenox Ave., Providence, R. I.

Children:

(1) George Burdon, born 28 December, 1899, in New York City.
(2) Stanley Burdon, born 21 February, 1902, in New York City.
(3) Hazel Adele, born 21 December, 1903, in Providence, R. I.
(4) Emery Burdon, born 26 May, 1906, in Providence, R. I.

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EDWARD FRENCH (Oliver J.,[7] George W.,[6] Wheeler,[5] Uzziel,[4] Oliver,[3] Jeremiah,[2] George[1]), was born in Brooklyn, N. Y., 2 January, 1872; married, in Brooklyn, 25 April, 1894, Blanche R. Bryant. He was educated at Adelphi College, Brooklyn, Secretary, Treasurer and Director Atlantic and Mexican Gulf Steamship Co.; President and Director Commercial Lighterage Co.; Treasurer and Director Henry A. Kessel Co.; President and Director Harper Paper Co.; President, Treasurer and Director, The Carey Printing Co. Member Sons of American Revolution. Trustee Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church. Clubs: Crescent Athletic, Atlantic Yacht, Riding and Driving, City Midday, St. Maurice Fish and Game, Sigma Psi Fraternity. Residence: Westhampton Beach, Long Island. Business address: 82 Beaver Street, New York City.

Child:

Rosalie B., born 12 March, 1895.

PART TWO

Thomas Geer and His Descendants

GENEALOGICAL TABLE

1 THOMAS[1]

2 Shubael[2]

- 3 Shubael, Jr.[3]
  - 5 Shubael, 3d[4]
    - — William[5]
    - — Ralph
  - 6 Walter
    - 10 Walter
      - 14 Asahel C.[6]
        - 18 Walter[7]
          - 25 Olin Potter[8]
          - 26 Walter, Jr.
          - — Joseph White
        - 19 Danforth
          - — Danforth, Jr.
        - — Olin White
      - — Walter
  - 7 George
    - — Royal
- 4 Thomas
  - 8 Thomas
    - — Horace
    - — William
    - — Thomas
    - 11 Seth
      - 15 Charles P.
        - — Herbert G.
        - — Seth H.
        - 20 William C.
    - 12 Noah P.
      - — William
  - 9 Elihu
    - 13 Howard
      - 16 Elihu
        - 21 Ev. Selden
        - 22 Erastus C.
        - 23 Ethelbert F.
        - 24 Erskine H.
      - 17 Nathan C.

Thomas Geer and His Descendants

FIRST GENERATION

I

THOMAS. In the sketch of the lives of the American Ancestors, the history of Thomas Geer has been traced until his arrival in Enfield, Conn., about 1682. From the records of that town it appears that he was one of the early settlers, for on 24 July, 1682, he had a grant of a house lot and thirty acres of meadow land; also in 1684-7 other grants of land are recorded.

He married *Deborah Davis, daughter of Robert and Ann, of Barnstable, who was born in 1645. Various circumstances go to show that Thomas was about fifty years old when he was married. He had but one son who survived him to bear the name. This fact accounts for the great difference in the number of descendants of the two brothers. George had six sons who were married and had families, whereas Thomas had but one, and that one born the same year as George's eleventh child and sixth son.

Land was granted Thomas Geer in 1682, in Enfield, then in Massachusetts, but afterwards a part of Connecticut, and it is of record that he was a tanner. He deeded various pieces of lands to his son Shubael, and owned at various times, besides his home lot, some 15 acres in the South Field on the "grate river"; 13 acres more or less in the North Field; also at Schantuck river, 2 acres meadow and 3 acres of field land; in 1687 an additional 5 acres of field, to make up the 35 acres "as was engaged him."

In 1771, "the Commoners voat to chose a man of an other towne to be a Moderator to act for them as to Settling their common rights in this town"; "those that Desent agst ye Last act" are given and Thomas Geere is one of them.

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* See Part Three.

Of the extent or value of Thomas Geer's property, nothing additional is known, except what may be gathered from a deed of gift which he and his wife made to their son Shubael, and signed by their x mark. This deed is dated 22 February, 1694-5, and is recorded in the Registrar's office, 16 January, 1698-9. Also Thomas and Deborah, his wife, gave a deed to their son Shubael of all their right and title to all their lands in the town of Enfield. This deed is dated 23 August, 1717, and signed by their x mark, (the name written Geer) and is recorded on Page 342, Book No. C. in the Registrar's office in Springfield, Mass.

Of the declining life of Thomas we know but little. His good old age, however, would indicate that he was a steady and worthy inhabitant. The property of Thomas remained in the same name until 1796 when, as appears from record, Elihu Geer disposed of his house and lands and removed, since which time there is no record of any descendants residing in Enfield.

He died 14 January, 1722, aged 99 years, and his widow Deborah died in January, 1735-6, aged "about ye 95th year."

Children, (precise order unknown):

(1) Mary, died before 1721; married John Prior in Enfield, 15 April, 1686. He married, 2nd, Sarah Pease. John Prior was born 14 February, 1664, probably at Windsor, Conn. He was called yeoman, and owned some 60 acres of land at Namerick, in the township of Windsor, for which he paid £260.

Children:

(a) Ann, born 31 March, 1690.
(b) Mary, born 6 March, 1692.
(c) John, born 16 May, 1695.
(d) Daniel, born in Enfield, 16 October, 1697.
(e) Sarah, born in Enfield, 12 February, 1699-1700.
(f) Nathaniel, born in Enfield, 1 September, 1702.

(g) Azariah, born in Enfield, 26 January, 1704-5.
(h) Ezekiel, born in Enfield, 24 April, 1708.
(i) Thankful, born in Enfield, in 1712.

2 (2) Shubael, born in 1683 (probably).
(3) Elizabeth, born 4 May, 1684; died 1 April, 1688.

It is probable that he had more children than the three who appear with him in Enfield, but his history before his settlement in that town is very uncertain.

SECOND GENERATION

2

SHUBAEL, (Thomas[1]), date of birth not known, but was probably in 1683. He married, 27 January, 1702-3, *Sarah, daughter of Thomas Abbe (1656-1728), who was a soldier in King Philip's War from Wenham, 1675. She died 16 February, 1731-2, in her 47th year, but the date of his death is not in Enfield records.

He was an active man in town affairs, serving at different times as fence viewer, field driver, surveyor of highways, searcher and gager, and constable, and also served on committees. He held a good farm, and was a trusted and respected citizen. It is a quaint coincidence that when he was appointed searcher and gager, he was appointed to use the letter "S" for searching, and "G" for gaging the casks. While these are the initial letters of searching and gaging, they are also his own initials.

He was present at the "Great Swamp Fight," as a member of Captain Appleton's Company.

Children:

(1) Shubael, born in Enfield, 1 December, 1702-3; died 15 March, 1703-4.

(2) Sarah, born in Enfield, 5 March, 1704-5; died in Enfield; married John Simons, 1 December, 1723. He was the son of William Simons, and was born in 1695. "The aged John Simons died 27 January, 1781."

Children:

(a) John, born in Enfield, 19 March, 1724; married Miriam Jones, in 1748.

(b) Sarah, born in Enfield, 22 August, 1726.

(c) Paul, born in Enfield, 11 September, 1729.

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* See Part Three.

(d) Ebenezer, born in Enfield, 19 February, 1731-2; died 11 March, 1755.

(e) Asahel, born in Enfield, 7 April, 1734; married Mahetabel Isom in 1759.

(f) Charity, born in Enfield, 27 July, 1736; died 17 February, 1737-8.

(g) Charity, born in Enfield, 4 September, 1738; married John Abbe, Jr., in 1761.

(h) Bethsheba, born in Enfield, 24 January, 1740; died 4 October, 1742.

(i) Titus, born in Enfield, 7 June, 1743; married Sarah Simons, in 1763.

(j) Bethsheba, born in Enfield, 9 June, 1748; died 30 April, 1754.

(k) Edward, born in Enfield, 3 September, 1750.

(3) Deborah, born 17 August, 1707; married Ezekiel Prior, in Enfield, 24 August, 1732. He was her cousin, son of John and Mary (Geer) Prior. He was born 24 April, 1708, and died 27 July, 1798, aged 90 years. He served in Lieutenant David Parson's 3rd Company, Major General Phineas Lyman's 1st Regiment, and is in the list of Enfield soldiers who went with Captain Jonathan Pettibone in his Company to Fort Edward in August, 1757.

Children:

(a) Cloe, born in Enfield, 29 February, 1733-4.

(b) Zaccheus, born in Enfield, 13 March, 1736-7.

(4) Mary, born 10 March, 1709-10; married Roger Griswold, 21 February, 1729-30. She had three sons, Roger, Shubael and Solomon, who were soldiers in the Colonial wars.

Children:

(a) Roger, born in Enfield, 16 February, 1731.

(b) Shubael, born in Enfield, 15 March, 1734.

(c) Solomon, born in Enfield, 11 February, 1737.

(d) Jehiel, born in Enfield, 25 February, 1740.

(e) Jonah, born in Enfield, 28 February, 1743.

(f) Joseph, born in Enfield, 3 October, 1745; died 30 August, 1746.

(g) Joseph, born in Enfield, 30 May, 1749.

(5) Tabitha, born 21 July, 1712; died 30 August, 1748; married Edward Collins, in Enfield, 19 February, 1735-6. He was born 26 November, 1713, and died 10 October, 1796. He was the son of Reverend Nathaniel and Alice Collins. He was ensign for Enfield, in October, 1751. Deputy from Enfield to the General Court of Connecticut Colony for every year from 1755 to 1779, with the exception of 1777. He was also Justice from 1772 to 1779 inclusive.

Children:

(a) Edward, born in Enfield, 14 January, 1736-7; died 4 October, 1743.

(b) Elisha, born in Enfield, 17 January, 1738-9.

(c) Ebenezer, born in Enfield, 17 April, 1741.

(d) Tabitha, born in Enfield, 23 June, 1743; died 7 August, 1749.

(e) Elihu, died 4 October, 1743. (This last may have been the Elisha above.)

(6) Bathsheba, born 16 January, 1714-5; married Charles Sexton, 7 January, 1736-7. He and his

son Charles, Jr., died on the way home from the Havana Expedition. He died 16 September, 1762. The family lived in Somers, Conn. He served in the reduction of Fort Louis at Oswego, and in the capture of Montreal, in 1760.

Children:

(a) Bathsheba, born in Enfield, 17 September, 1741.

(b) Charles, born in Somers, 28 April, 1744; died 25 September, 1762.

(c) Eleuer, born in Somers, 17 August, 1746.

(d) Hannah, born in Somers, 15 August, 1748.

3 (7) Shubael, born 26 May, 1717; married Hannah Pease, 20 November, 1737.

(8) Elizabeth, born 15 January, 1719-20; died 20 October, 1757; married Ebenezer Terry, 10 September, 1747. He was born in South Kingston, R. I., 29 October, 1722, and died 15 July, 1817, aged 95 years. He was the son of Ebenezer Terry. He was Deputy from Enfield to the General Court of Connecticut in 1761.

Children:

(a) Mehetabel, born in Enfield, 4 January, 1747-8.

(b) Elizabeth, born in Enfield, 28 February, 1749-50.

(c) Ebenezer, born in Enfield, 31 August, 1753.

4 (9) Thomas, born 1 July, 1722; died in 1751; married Hannah Abbe, 30 January, 1745-6.

(10) Annah, born in December, 1725; died 15 February, 1764; married Aaron Pease, 10 October, 1751. He was born in Enfield, 1 April, 1726, son of Samuel and Elizabeth (Warner) Pease. He was a blacksmith by trade and was Collector of the

Colony Tax in Enfield in 1758, 1761 and 1771. He married, 2nd, Mary Terry.

Children:

(a) Aaron, born in Enfield, 3 June, 1752.
(b) Levi, born in Enfield, 22 June, 1754.
(c) Sarah, born in Enfield, 2 December, 1756.
(d) Stone, born in Enfield, 11 January, 1759.
(e) Ann, born in Enfield, 6 November, 1761; died young.
(f) Ephraim, born in Enfield, 5 June, 1765.

THIRD GENERATION

3

SHUBAEL (Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 26 May, 1717; died ——; married 20 November, 1737, *Hannah Pease, daughter of Ebenezer and Mindwell (Sexton) Pease.

He was commissioned Ensign of the First Company, or Train Band, Enfield, in May, 1761. He removed from Enfield.

Shubael Geer, yoeman, bought house lot No. 58, Charlestown, N. H., of Nathaniel Mills, on 13 June, 1773, and sold it to Nathaniel Miles (Mills?), potter, on 18 June, 1774.

This fixes the date of his arrival in Charlestown as prior to 13 June, 1773. His will is not recorded in Keene or Newport, N. H., and although search was made in Concord, Keene, Walpole, Charlestown, Marlow and Claremont, no record of his death could be found. A search was also made for his will in Washington and Albany Counties, New York, thinking he might have accompanied his son Walter, but none is of record. He was living in 1790 in Charlestown with one male and two females in his household (U. S. Census, 1790, New Hampshire).

Children:

(1) Hannah, born in Enfield, 3 December, 1738; died young.

(2) Sarah, born in Enfield, 28 November, 1740.

5 (3) Shubael, born 6 May, 1743; died before 22 December, 1825, probably in Charlestown; married Sarah Babcock of Ashford, 11 February, 1766.

(4) Ebenezer, born in Enfield, 6 July, 1745; died 30 August, 1746.

(5) Thomas, born in Enfield, 5 October, 1746.

(6) Ebenezer, born in Enfield, 23 October, 1747; died 30 August, 1749.

(7) Elihu, born in Enfield, 3 May, 1749.

(8) Ebenezer, born in Enfield, 1 January, 1750-1; married Sarah ——. She died 23 February, 1777.

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* See Part Three.

He bought land in Walpole of John Bellows, 11 May, 1778, and sold it to Shubael Geer, Gentleman. On 24 March, 1779, he bought lots in Charlestown of John Hubbard and sold lots, 13 July, 1784, to Samuel Pitman of Boston.

(9) Hannah, born in Enfield, 19 March, 1753; married Joshua Markham of Enfield, 31 December, 1772. He was born 18 June, 1751.

(10) Mindwell, born in Enfield, 10 February, 1756.

6 (11) Walter, born in Enfield in 1759.

7 (12) George, born in Enfield, 6 June, 1761.

(13) Charles, born in Enfield, 6 June, 1761.

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THOMAS (Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 1 July, 1722; died in 1751; married Hannah Abbe, 30 January, 1745-6. She was born 27 March, 1723, daughter of Thomas and Mary Abbe. She married, 2nd, 15 November, 1753, Noah Phelps, by whom she had six children. She died in East Windsor, 12 September, 1818.

Children:

8 (1) Thomas, born in Enfield, 16 October, 1746; died 10 April, 1827; married Mary Pease.

9 (2) Elihu, born in Enfield, 3 May, 1750; died 11 May, 1801; married, 10 December, 1774, Eleanor McClester, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth McClester.

FOURTH GENERATION

5

SHUBAEL (Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 6 May, 1743; died before 22 December, 1825, probably in Charlestown; married Sarah Babcock, of Ashford, 11 February, 1766. He was a trader of Charlestown and was interested in numerous real estate deals in that town from 1773 to 1794. He bought land in Walpole, N. H., of Ebenezer Geer of Charlestown, Cordwainer, 22 June, 1780. In the United States Census of 1790, New Hampshire, he is recorded as living in Claremont, with four free white males of 16 years and upward, two under 16, and four females of all ages, with one slave. On 22 December, 1825, Sally Geer, widow of Shubael Geer of Charlestown, leased land there to Thomas Taylor.

His children recorded at Concord and Charlestown were:

(1) Anna, born in Enfield, 19 March, 1768.
(2) William, born in Andover, Vt., 25 September, 1769.
(3) Cynthia, born in Andover, Vt., 19 March, 1771; married Charles J. Kingsley, in Claremont, N. H., 21 May, 1792.
(4) Ralph, born 24 October, 1777. (This is from the History of Charlestown. Concord records say he was the son of Ralph and Sarah, which would seem to be an error ,as no Ralph, Sr., is of record.)
(5) Augusta, born in Charlestown, 18 August, 1780.

6

WALTER (Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in 1759; died about 1808; married *Lucy Allen, daughter of Benjamin and Peggy (Spafford) Allen, who was born 28 March, 1758, in Charlestown, N. H.

†Walter Geer enlisted in the Revolutionary Army in May, 1778, at the age of 19, with his brother Charles, aged 16. They

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* See Part Three.

† Accepted by Sons of the Revolution.

enlisted in Captain Jason Wait's Company, 1st Regiment New Hampshire Line, Colonel Joseph Cilley, as from Marlow, Cheshire County, N. H. A thorough examination of Marlow records, as well as the private collection of Mr. Elgin A. Jones, an antiquarian in that town,—failed to show any residence there of the Geer family, and Mr. Jones thinks the boys were employed there, probably on some farm. Their home was undoubtedly in Charlestown.

In 1781 Walter Geer sold house lot No. 60 in Charlestown. A thorough effort has been made to trace the previous history of this lot. It was owned by Moses Wheeler in 1754, but the only deed executed by him and recorded at Keene does not show the fate of this lot. Walter Geer does not appear at all as grantee, but reference to pages 156 and 157 of the History of Charlestown will show that County lines were very unsettled at that period, and the Register of Deeds at Keene says that many documents were not recorded on that account.

In 1790, according to the United States Census for New Hampshire, he lived at Keene, remaining there until January, 1792, when a child of his died there.

In 1791 Frazier and Geer commenced an action against Enoch Hale, Esq. Enoch Hale asked the Assembly to allow him to enter it at a Court of Judicature at Amherst, Hillsborough (sic) County, N. H., as he was defaulted at the last Inferior Court of Common Pleas held at Amherst.

Walter Geer also brought a petition, the nature of which is not stated. His petition was heard and he was allowed to bring in his bill 12 January, 1791. On 8 June, 1791, the House of Representatives voted for a Committee to join the Senate to consider the petition of Walter Geer. It was brought up, read and concluded, Mr. Page and Mr. Kingsbury joining. The third reading and enactment took place 17 June, 1791 (N. H. State Papers). An attempt was made to get at the original records at Concord, N. H., to find out what this petition was, but without success, as the State Librarian was on vacation (August, 1908).

Mr. Geer was a cordwainer by trade, and between 1781 and 1796 lived or visited in several towns, namely, Charlestown, Lebanon and Keene, N. H.; Windsor, Vt., and Salem, N. Y.

He appeared at Salem, N. Y., about the year 1795-1796, for he was taxed there in the latter year, 4s. 0d.—and in a list of "Members of the New England Congregation in Salem prior to 1800" he is given as arriving in 1796. These items are from the collection of the late Judge Gibson of Salem. All the Church records in Salem were burned in 1840, and the town records also.

In 1798, Mr. Geer ran for a local office and advertised in the Northern Centinell for August 13, 1798, in a poem beginning:—

"My name I own is Walter Geer,
I come from Charlestown in New Hampshire,
Have wrought in Salem three years or more;
And never yet was stumped before."

Judge Gibson's note says there is more of the poem and we have tried to get it, but have thus far failed to locate a copy of the paper containing it. They haven't it at Salem, Albany or New York.

Mr. Geer advertised as a cordwainer in the Northern Post, successor to the Centinell, on 15 October, 1804.

In a return of the Overseer of Highways, District 1, Town of Salem, on 22 March, 1808, Mr. Geer was assessed 3 days. He worked two of them and commuted for 62½ cents.

This is the last record of him. He left no will recorded either in Albany or Washington County, and took no part in land transactions in either place.

His children were:

(1) Harmony, daughter, born in Lebanon, N. H., 27 June, 1784.
(2) Daughter, born in Windsor, Vt., 7 November, 1786; died before 1790.
(3) Lucy, born in Charlestown, 29 January, 1789.
10 (4) Walter, born in Charlestown, 9 January, 1792.

Note.—Mr. Geer appears in the census of 1790 with one male and two females in his family. One daughter had died before 1790, and another (either Harmony or Lucy) died in Keene, in January, 1792.

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GEORGE (Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Enfield, 6 June, 1761; married Anna (Joanna) Nott of Walpole, 20 March, 1788. He then lived in Keene. He served as Sergeant in Colonel Ebenezer Walbridge's Regiment, Captain Peter Payne, in 1781.

Child:

Royal, born in Charlestown, N. H., 5 March, 1789.

8

THOMAS (Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Enfield, 16 October, 1746; died 10 April, 1827; married Mary Pease, born 25 September, 1749. She died at the age of 92 years. They had nine children, the first three born in Enfield and the others in Charlestown. In May, 1780, he moved from Enfield to Charlestown, N. H. He traveled with a yoke of oxen and a cart in which was stowed his wife and children and household goods. The cart was the first vehicle of the kind (such is tradition) ever seen in Charlestown. He was on his way on the memorable "dark day" which occurred 18 May, 1780, and was obliged on account of darkness to stop and put up. On coming to Charlestown, he first lived in a house near the present residence of J. G. Briggs, Jr., and had a tannery to the north of it. He also carried on the business of shoe-making. He afterwards built a house now standing on the northeast corner of East and Sullivan Streets, also a small shoe-shop, such as was then common in New England, and devoted himself to shoe-making entirely. Mrs. Geer was a milliner and dressmaker—the only one in town at that time. After moving into their new house, the family were frequently entertained by the howling wolves which used to come down at night from the deep forests and prowl around the door. He was a cordwainer. He sold on 10 December, 1798, to Oliver Hall of Charlestown, "The land I now live on" in Charlestown, and its buildings, covered by mortgage to Jason Witherbee. Mary Geer signs. (Recorded 15 December, 1798, Liber 30, p. 460, Keene. Name spelled "Gear," only instance in

this family). Trouble followed. Thomas and Jason quarreled, and the sheriff ordered Thomas to pay $12.58 costs or go to jail, 20 December, 1798.

Thomas Geer, tanner, of Charlestown, bought land there of Abel Walker, 25 March, 1781; and Thomas Geer, gentleman, of Charlestown sold to Jason Witherby, tanner, land in Charlestown which had been owned by Spafford Cory and Col. Abel Walker, on 20 March, 1797.

Children:

(1) Horace, born 20 March, 1773; died 23 September, 1844; married Nancy Owen.
(2) Mary, born 29 March, 1775; died 14 May, 1839.
(3) William, born in Enfield, 3 December, 1777. Died 10 May, 1834. William Geer, of Shelburne, Vt., bought of Oliver and Olive Hastings of Charlestown, lot 36 in Charlestown, "Where Thomas Geer now lives," 21 July, 1810.
(4) Philena, born 19 July, 1780; died 21 September, 1840; married Lemuel T. Cheney of Westmoreland, 18 January, 1802.
(5) Sibyl, born 11 April, 1783; died in Glens Falls, 22 December, 1837; married Henry or Robert Bostwick. He was born in New Milford, Conn., 15 March, 1774, and died in Vergennes, Vt., 1 April, 1845.

Children:

(a) Julia, born 9 January, 1804; died 11 November, 1880; married Albert Blakesly.
(b) Mary Philena, born 28 February, 1806; died 15 August, 1806.
(c) Thomas Geer, born 13 November, 1807; died 5 January, 1808.
(d) Edmund, died young.
(e) Ellen, married —— Carpenter.
(f) Henry Pease, born in Vergennes, Vt., 14 February, 1817; died in Brook-

lyn, New York, 28 December, 1894; married in Bennington, Vt., 31 December, 1840, Eliza Brockway. She was born in Bennington, Vt., 3 May, 1822, and died in Chilnota, Florida, 27 May, 1891. They had five children: Josephus Brockway, Eliza, Henrietta Sibyl, Robert Henry, and Grace.

(6) Thomas, born in Charlestown, 13 August, 1785; died 12 May, 1851; married Nancy Woodbridge, 22 February, 1810. She was the daughter of Enoch and Nancy Winchell Woodbridge and was born 10 August, 1789. Lived in Vergennes, Vermont.

11 (7) Seth, born in Charlestown, 30 June, 1788; died 24 February, 1854; married 4 April, 1820, Mary Pier in New York.

12 (8) Noah Phelps, born 28 May, 1791; died 22 May, 1867; married Sally Buchman.

(9) Cynthia, born 11 September, 1793, in Charlestown; died 14 August, 1838; married Peter Joslyn Boynton in September, 1814. He died 20 August, 1867. They lived in Hinesburg.

Children:

(a) Noble Lovely, born 6 January, 1820; married twice.

(b) Fidelia, born 20 August 1821; married John F. Miles.

(c) Sidney, born 3 November, 1824; married —— Weeks.

(d) Edgar, born 14 April, 1826.

(e) Cecelia Cynthia, born 3 August, 1828; married Ebenezer E. Lewis. Children: Kate and Frank, twins; Ebenezer S. and Willie O.

(f) Jane Letisa, born 8 January, 1831.

9

ELIHU (Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Enfield, 3 May, 1750; died 11 May, 1801; married 10 December, 1774, Eleanor McClester, daughter of Robert and Elizabeth McClester, born 13 September, 1757; died 18 April, 1843. He was an orderly sergeant of a company of Connecticut troops in the Revolutionary War.

Children:

(1) Nancy, born in October, 1775; died in March, 1776.
(2) Elihu, born 7 January, 1778; drowned at sea 19 October, 1801.
(3) Nancy, born 15 June, 1781; died in 1832; married Benjamin Loomis in September, 1802.
(4) Hannah, born 11 December, 1783; died 18 February, 1847; married Joseph Thompson in 1804.
(5) Fanny, born 7 January, 1786; married Chauncy Bryant, 25 December, 1808.
(6) Betsey, born 29 April, 1789; married Chester Paine in August, 1808.
13 (7) Howard, born 9 August, 1792; died 24 November, 1831; married Sophia Cahoon, 28 November, 1816.
(8) Timothy M., born in September, 1795; died 9 October, 1802.
(9) Miles Morgan, born in 1797; died in 1797.

FIFTH GENERATION.

10

WALTER, JR. (Walter,[4] Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born at Charlestown, N. H., 9 January, 1792; married in Northumberland, 2 November, 1815, *Henrietta Van Buren (daughter of Elizabeth Newell and Martin Van Buren, cousin of President Van Buren), born 20 September, 1792, in Easton, N. Y.

His boyhood and early youth were passed with his parents in Salem, Washington County, N. Y. About the time he reached his majority, he removed to Union Village, where he was drafted and went with the militia of our Eastern border, to repel the British advance at Plattsburgh, during the war of 1812. He removed in February, 1816, to Schaghticoke, where he commenced business as a tanner and currier. At this time he appears to have been the associate and peer of such men as William L. Marcy, Jonas C. Heartt, Job Pierson, Moses Warren, James Livingston and B. P. Staats; men that for a generation exercised a controlling influence over the politics of Eastern New York, and all of whom left their mark upon the dial plate of the world's progress. In March, 1820, he came to Glens Falls, N. Y., and resumed the business pursued at Schaghticoke. He soon afterwards embarked in trade with Abraham Wing and L. L. Pixley. Was afterwards a partner with George Sanford in the mercantile business. At the time of the enlargement of the Glens Falls feeder (Branch of the Delaware and Hudson Canal), of which he was an active promoter, he had a contract with the State for some portion of the excavation, and also built the locks at Fort Edward. Not far from this time he went into the lumbering business with the late James D. Weston and John J. Harris. Their investments and ventures were so judiciously made, and the business so ably looked after and managed, that all these acquired a handsome competency. He was a magistrate in Queensbury, N. Y., from 1821 to 1826, and member of Assembly in 1837, a year memorable in politics for its financial crisis, and

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the secession of the Conservatives from the Dominant Party. He was one of the principal originators and founders of the Glens Falls Academy, and was instrumental in forwarding the erection of the Second Presbyterian Church Building, which was destroyed in the great fire of 1864. He was a promoter of educational and religious enterprises, an active and influential politician, a man of indomitable will, and inflexible purpose. He died 16 July, 1855, and was among the first whose remains were deposited in the new cemetery, where a handsome and conspicuous monument has since been erected to his memory.

DEATH OF HON. WALTER GEER.

(From the Albany Atlas.)

"Hon. Walter Geer of Glens Falls, Warren County, died suddenly on the 16th of July, aged 63 years. He was well known and highly esteemed by all who knew him, not only in his County where he was a leading citizen, but in this city and in Troy, where he numbered many friends. He was a Democrat—consistent and intelligent, and a sound adviser and steadfast friend. He was one of the delegates of this State to represent the 15th District in the Democratic National Convention in 1852."

Children:

(1) Elizabeth Van Buren, born 29 January, 1817; died in 1886; married 5 February, 1847, John Younglove.

Child:

Henrietta Marie, born 3 May, 1852, at Greenwich, N. Y.; married 28 June 1876, Charles Beebe; one son, Charles William Beebe, born 29 July, 1877, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

(2) Susan Cornell, born 16 January, 1819; died 4 April, 1889; married 12 September, 1850, James Rogers.

Children:

(a) James, born 20 June, 1853; married 27 May, 1874, Katherine Moore

Beers, by whom he had three children: Henry Geer, born 11 February, 1876; Florence Moore, born 10 December, 1878, died 28 July, 1900, and Jeannette, born 22 August, 1884. Henry Geer married 9 April, 1901, Ada Hoffman Spaulding and has five children: James, 2nd, born 1 May, 1902; Frances Albertina, born 28 July, 1903; John Roderick, born 17 September, 1905; Katherine Southworth, born 30 May, 1907, and Adrian Spaulding, born 20 August, 1912.

James Rogers is President of J. & J. Rogers Company, manufacturers of manilla and hardware papers. Lives at Ausable Forks, Essex County, New York.

(b) Abby, born 20 October, 1855; married Edward M. Clark (now deceased). She has two children: Elizabeth, who married H. Bennett, and lives in Brooklyn; and Rogers, who lives in New York.

(c) Walter Geer, born 21 August, 1858; married 6 October, 1909, (Mrs.) Chastine Hartwell Schuyler. Lives at Plattsburg, N. Y.

(3) Henrietta Van Buren, born 21 January, 1821; died 31 August, 1898; never married.

14 (4) Asahel Clarke, born 6 January, 1823; died 21 July, 1902; married 24 January, 1856, Helen Augusta Danforth.

(5) Walter, born in Glens Falls, N. Y., 15 March, 1825; died there 28 October, 1848. He was a student at Union College in the Class of 1845, but did not finish his course. He was subsequently a dry-

goods merchant in Glens Falls, where he died of typhoid fever at the age of 23 years.

(6) Abigail, born 14 April, 1827; died in ——, 1894; never married.

(7) Arabelle, born 14 April, 1829; died 15 May, 1853; married 13 November, 1849, L. H. Baldwin.

Child:

Walter Geer, born 24 December, 1850; died 6 November, 1872; married Louise Hicks 19 July, 1872. No issue.

11

SETH (Thomas,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Charlestown, 30 June, 1788; died 24 February, 1854; married Mary Pier, 4 April, 1820. She was born 17 July, 1795, and died in 1880. Seth Geer of Vergennes, Addison County, Vt., bought of William Geer of Shelburne, Chittenden County, Vt., land next to house lot No. 36, Charlestown. Thomas Geer lived on the land. He also sold land in Charlestown to Noah Phelps Geer, 24 September, 1812. He with his wife, Lucinda, and Shubael Geer, Jr., appear as grantors in Albany County, N. Y., between 1831 and 1868. This was probably Shubael, born in 1804, in George Geer's descendants.

Children:

15 (1) Charles Pease, born 22 March, 1821; died 11 July, 1882; married Lucy Ann Guernsey, 12 December, 1865. She was born 12 March, 1834.

(2) John Benjamin, born 3 February, 1824.

(3) Mary Abby, born 27 September, 1826.

(4) Sarah Ellen, born 15 April, 1829.

(5) George Field, born 9 December, 1832.

12

NOAH PHELPS (Thomas,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Charlestown, N. H., 28 May, 1791; died there 22 May, 1877; married Sally Buchman, 8 February, 1814.

She was born 25 July, 1791, and died 10 June, 1873. She was the daughter of Joshua and Anna (Parks) Buchman. He was a shoemaker. Bought land in Charlestown from Seth Geer in 1812 (Q. V.). He sold for love and affection to his parents, Thomas and Mary, land in Charlestown for their lifetime, 25 February, 1814. He bought land in Charlestown of Stephen Hasham, 17 June, 1816.

Mr. and Mrs. Geer lived in the old Geer homestead where he pursued the trade of his father for fifty-seven years. Mrs. Geer spun and wove all the cloth for her children's clothes, also the shoe thread for her husband, turning the wheel with one foot while she rocked the cradle with the other.

Children:

(1) Mary, born in January, 1821; died 1 October, 1892, aged 71 years and 9 months.
(2) Maria, born 5 May, 1823; married A. Kingsbury Maynard of Walpole, N. H., in 1844.
(3) William born in 1826; married Amogene A. Crosby, 21 December, 1871. She was the daughter of John M. and Amelia Crosby.
(4) Sibyl, married Henry Turner in 1849.

13

HOWARD (Elihu,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 9 August, 1792; died in Hartford, 24 November, 1831; married Sophia Cahoon of East Windsor, 28 November, 1816. After they were married they resided a year at Lyme, then removed to Hartford.

Children:

16 (1) Elihu, born in Lyme, 1 December, 1817; died 27 March, 1887; married three times.
17 (2) Nathan Cahoon, born in Hartford, 12 May, 1820; died 4 September, 1860; married Julia S. Burnham 12 October, 1842.

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SIXTH GENERATION.

14

ASAHEL CLARKE, (Walter,[5] Walter,[4] Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 6 January, 1823, in Glens Falls, New York; died 21 July, 1902, in Williamstown, Mass.; married, 24 January, 1856, in Providence, R. I., *Helen Augusta Danforth, daughter of Keyes and Mary (Bushnell) Danforth, born 31 January, 1828, in Williamstown, Mass. She is sixth in lineal descent from Nicholas Danforth who came to this country in 1634 from Framlingham, Suffolk County, England, and settled in New Town (now Cambridge), Mass., and is a grand-daughter of Captain Jonathan Danforth of Western (now Warren), Mass., who was a distinguished soldier in the Revolutionary War. Mrs. Geer was one of the founders of the Daughters of the American Revolution, of which she was made Honorary Vice-President General in 1896, after having served six years on the National Board as Registrar and Vice-President General.

The New York Tribune of July 23rd, 1902, states:

"A. C. Geer of Washington, who was stricken with apoplexy at his summer home in Williamstown, Mass., on Thursday, 17 July, died there on Monday night, 21 July. Mr. Geer was born in Glens Falls, N. Y., on 6 January, 1823, and was the eldest son of Henrietta Van Buren and Walter Geer, Jr. He was prepared for college at Burr Seminary, Manchester, Vt., and entered Union College, at Schenectady, N. Y., from which he was graduated in 1843 with the highest honors. He received from his alma mater, three years later, the degree of A. M.

"After leaving college he entered the law office of E. H. Rosekrans, at Glens Falls, with whom he remained one year. He then completed his legal studies with Geo. A. Simmons, at Keeseville, N. Y., and was admitted to the bar at the General Term of the Supreme Court held at Rochester, in October, 1846. He practiced for two years with H. Z. Hayner, of Troy, and in 1848 formed a partnership with Abram B. Olin, afterwards member of Congress from Rensselaer County, and later Judge of the

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Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. The firm name at first was Olin, White & Geer, and later, Olin, Geer & Colby. His practice was a large one, the firm being counsel for the Troy and Boston R. R. Co and other large corporations of Northern New York.

"From 1862 to 1868 Mr. Geer was Collector of Internal Revenue for the Fifteenth District of New York. On June 1st, 1868, he accepted the position of Secretary and General Manager of the Walter A. Wood Mowing and Reaping Machine Company, at Hoosick Falls, N. Y., with which he remained for eighteen years, until his retirement from active busines in 1886.

"In January, 1886, in conjunction with the late Orlando B. Potter of New York, he organized the New York Architectural Terra-Cotta Company of which he was Vice-President up to the time of his death.

"After Mr. Geer's retirement from active business in 1886, he purchased the residence at Washington of the late Judge A. B. Olin, where he and Mrs. Geer have since passed their winters—spending their summers in Hoosick Falls, N. Y., and at Williamstown, Mass."

Children:

18 (1) Walter, born 19 August, 1857; married Mary Potter, 26 September, 1883.

19 (2) Danforth, born 25 May, 1859; married Amy Gay, 6 June, 1888.

(3) Olin White, born 25 June, 1866, in Williamstown, Mass.; died 19 May, 1884, in Hoosick Falls, N. Y., when a student in Greylock Institute, South Williamstown, Mass., during the final year of his preparatory course for entrance to Williams College.

15

CHARLES P. (Seth,[5] Thomas,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 22 March, 1821; died 11 July, 1882; married, Lucy Ann Guernsey, 12 December, 1865. She was born 12 March, 1834.

Children:

(1) Herbert Guernsey, born 13 March, 1869; died 7 March, 1900; married Sara M. MacNeal. No issue.
(2) Seth Hoyt, born 30 January, 1871.
(3) Lucy Abigail, born 21 November, 1872; died 8 December, 1895.
20 (4) William Chauncey, born 17 June, 1876; married Effie A. Work, 29 December, 1908.

16

ELIHU (Howard,[5] Elihu,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 1 December, 1817, in Lyme, Conn.; died in Hadlyme, 27 March, 1887; married, 1st, Abigail Stanley Roberts, daughter of Isaac Roberts of East Hartford, on 10 September, 1839. She was born 3 September, 1819 and died 4 September, 1846. He married, 2nd, Eliza Prentice Selden, daughter of Richard E. Selden of Lyme, 16 May, 1849. She was born 23 March, 1830, and died 13 May, 1871. He married, 3rd, Eliza Ellsworth, 22 January, 1873. She was born 4 January, 1837.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Elihu Howard, born 30 June, 1840; married Mrs. Laura (Pikin) Hinckley, 12 April, 1876. No children.
(2) Everett Erastus, born 23 November, 1842; died 3 October, 1844.
(3) An infant son born 2 August, 1845; died 3 August, 1845.

Children by 2nd wife:

21 (4) Everett Selden, born 23 February, 1850; married Georgiana Peckham.
(5) An infant daughter, born 26 April, 1852; died 23 June, 1852.
22 (6) Erastus Cahoon, born 9 April, 1854; married, 1st, Eliza Evans, 20 September, 1879. She died 20

October, 1897. Married, 2nd, Jennie Loraine Bissell, 18 October, 1899.

(7) Elnathan Fremont, born 6 March, 1856; died 19 September, 1856.

23 (8) Ethelbert Fremont, born 5 April, 1858; married 29 October, 1884, Helen R. Hazen.

(9) Editha Lynde, born 27 May, 1861.

24 (10) Erskine Hart, born 19 August, 1863; married 27 April, 1892, Minnie Burrows Geer.

(11) Eliza Sophia, born 16 July, 1865.

(12) Elithan Eubulus, born 18 August, 1867.

Children by 3rd wife:

(13) Ethel Ellsworth, born 28 May, 1874.

(14) Elene Ellsworth, born 8 November, 1876.

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NATHAN CAHOON (Howard,[5] Elihu,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Hartford, 12 May, 1820; died in Peoria, Ill., 4 September, 1860; married, Julia S. Burnham, 12 October, 1842. She was born 6 February, 1823, and died 22 September, 1860.

Children:

(1) Julia Sophia, born in Hartford, 29 April, 1844; died 3 May, 1844.

(2) William Erastus, born in Chicago, 4 October, 1848; died in Waukegan, Ill., 10 August, 1855.

(3) Julia Sophia, born in Waukegan, 18 July, 1851; died 6 October, 1866.

(4) Emma Elvira, born in Waukegan, 17 November, 1853; died 11 March, 1854.

(5) Ella Maria, born in Waukegan, 17 November, 1853; died 3 July, 1854.

(6) Abigail Eldora, born in Waukegan, 7 February, 1856; married Arthur C. Leibert in Dresden, Germany, 27 June, 1878.

(7) Howard Washburn, born 13 April, 1857; married 1 January, 1880, Silena Stevens Manning. Children: Hattie E., born 10 September, 1881, and Ethel L., born 28 May, 1884; died 23 April, 1885.

(8) Hattie E., born 26 August, 1860; married Harry B. Toothe, 9 January, 1889.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

18

WALTER (Asahel C.,[6] Walter,[5] Walter,[4] Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 19 August, 1857, in Williamstown, Mass.; married, in New York City, 26 September, 1883, Mary Potter, daughter of Martha Green Wiley and Orlando B. Potter. She was born 24 December, 1857, in New York City.

He was educated at Greylock Institute, South Williamstown, Mass., Williams College, A.B., 1878, A.M., 1881; National University Law School, Washington, D. C., LL.B., 1881, LL.M., 1882. From 1882 to 1886 he was Assistant Manager of the Walter A. Wood Mowing and Reaping Machine Co., Chicago. Since 1886 he has been President and Director of the New York Architectural Terra-Cotta Company, New York City. He is also Vice-President of the National Terra-Cotta Society, and Vice-President and Director of the New York Knife Company, and the Walkill River Company, and Director of the Brunswick Site Company. He is a member of the Genealogical and Biographical Society, Municipal Art Society, National Sculpture Society, New England Society, New York Historical Society, Phi Betta Kappa Association, Sons of the Revolution, Order of Founders and Patriots of America, Society of Colonial Wars, Delta Psi Fraternity, and Williams Alumni Association of New York. He is also a member of the following clubs: University, Manhattan, Automobile (New York City), Sleepy Hollow Country Club (Scarboro-on-Hudson), and the Metropolitan (Washington). His winter residence is at 246 West 72nd Street, New York City, and summer home is "Crow's Nest," Ossining, N. Y.

Children:

25 (1) Olin Potter, born in Chicago, 5 February, 1886; married in Granite Springs, N. Y., 5 September, 1913, Charlotte Van Cortlandt Nicoll, daughter of Edward Holland Nicoll and Edith Travers.

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(2) Martha Wiley, born in New York City, 25 December, 1887; died 28 May, 1888.

26 (3) Walter, Jr., born in New York City, 27 May, 1889.

(4) Joseph White, born in New York City, 9 January, 1892. He is now a member of the class of 1914 at Williams College, and a member of the Delta Psi Fraternity.

(5) Helen Danforth, born in New York City, 22 December, 1895.

19

DANFORTH (Asahel C.,[6] Walter,[5] Walter,[4] Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Williamstown, Mass., 25 May, 1859; married, 6 June, 1888, Amy Gay, daughter of Willard Gay of Troy, N. Y. She was born 9 February, 1861. He was educated at Greylock Institute, South Williamstown, Mass., Williams College, A.B., 1879. In 1878 he entered the employ of the Walter A. Wood Mowing and Reaping Machine Company, Hoosick Falls, N. Y., and has been connected with the same company since that date, occupying the positions of Assistant Secretary, Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-President, and is now President and Director of said Company. He is also a Director of the Security Trust Company of Troy, N. Y. He is a member of the Troy Club, of Troy; Hoosac Club of Hoosick Falls; St. Anthony's and University Clubs of New York City; also a member of the Delta Psi Fraternity, Rensselaer Society, Society of Colonial Wars, and Sons of the Revolution. His residence is now and has been for many years at Hoosick Falls, N. Y.

Children:

(1) Danforth, Jr., born 12 April, 1889. He graduated at Williams College, A. B., 1911, and is now at the Law School of Harvard University. Member of the Delta Psi Fraternity.

(2) Mary Ellis, born 27 February, 1891.

(3) Augusta Danforth, born 5 December, 1892.

20

WILLIAM CHAUNCEY (Charles P.,[6] Seth,[5] Thomas,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Ogdensburg, N. Y., 17 June, 1876. He was educated in the Potsdam State Normal School up to 1897, and received from Cornell University the degree of A.B. in 1902 and Ph.D. in 1905, and was a fellow in chemistry at Cornell College in the college year 1903-04. He was instructor of science at the high school of Nyack, N. Y., in 1898 and 1899; assistant in chemistry at Cornell in 1902 and 1903; instructor at Cornell from 1904 to 1906; has been an expert on wood distillation in the Forest Service of the United States Department of Agriculture in 1906 and 1907; the chief chemist of the B. F. Goodrich Company, of Akron, O., from 1907 to 1913 and manager of the Development Department of the same company since 1913. He is a member of the American Chemical Society, the American Physical Society, American Society for Testing Materials, Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Sigma Xi Honor Society. He is a member of the Chemists Club of New York City, and the Country and University Clubs of Akron. Residence: 630 Diagonal Road, Akron, O. Office address: The B. F. Goodrich Company, Akron, O.

21

EVERETT SELDEN (Elihu,[6] Howard,[5] Elihu,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in East Hartford, Conn., 23 February, 1850; married in Hartford, Conn., Georgiana Peckham. He is editor of the Hartford City Directory, said to be the best city directory on earth, which has been published by his family for over three-quarters of a century. The Genealogy of James Geer was also published by this house in 1856. He is a member of the City Club of Hartford, the Connecticut Historical Society, and of many other organizations, including the Masons and Elks. Residence: 64 Niles Street, Hartford, Conn.

Children:

(1) Everett Selden, Jr., born in St. Paul, Minn., 11 March, 1887; graduated at Trinity College.

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(2) Margaret Osborne, born in Hartford, Conn., in 1893; now a student at Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, Mass.

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ERASTUS CAHOON (Elihu,[6] Howard,[5] Elihu,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born in Hadlyme, Lyme, Conn., 9 April, 1854; married 1st, in Hartford, Conn., 20 September, 1879, Eliza, daughter of Richard and Catherine Evans. She was born in New York City, 5 May, 1858, and died 20 October, 1897. He married, 2nd, Jennie Loraine Bissell, 18 October, 1899. She was born in South Windsor, Conn., 18 July 1875, the daughter of George and Sarah Loraine (Russell) Bissell. Residence: 12 Garvan Street, East Hartford, Conn.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Wilfred Erastus, born 6 September, 1882; died 27 July, 1891.
(2) Elihu Evans, born 9 October, 1886; died 18 July, 1887.
(3) Erastus Cahoon, born 10 September, 1888.
(4) Charles Mersereau, born 7 March, 1891.

Children by 2nd wife:

(5) Russell Lynde, born 9 April, 1901.
(6) Loraine, born 1 September, 1902.
(7) Ruth Selden, born 29 October, 1905.
(8) Clayton Bissell, born 8 March, 1907.
(9) Beatrice, born 9 October, 1912.

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ETHELBERT FREMONT (Elihu,[6] Howard,[5] Elihu,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 5 April, 1858; married 29 October, 1884, Helen Rebecca Hazen. He is a physician and surgeon. Lives in St. Paul, Minn.

Children:

(1) Helen Fremont, born 20 August, 1885.

(2) Elihu Hazen, born 27 March, 1887; died 9 December, 1888.
(3) Ethelberta Evans, born 10 December, 1888.
(4) Paul Hazen, born 31 December, 1890.

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ERSKINE HART (Elihu,[6] Howard,[5] Elihu,[4] Thomas,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 19 August, 1863, in Hadlyme, Conn.; married 27 April, 1892, in Mystic, Conn., Minnie Burrows, daughter of Joseph A. Geer, a descendant of George Geer. She was born 11 August, 1867. Educated at Wilbraham Academy; is a farmer; has held many town offices; member Union League Club, New Haven, also R. A. M. and K. T.; representative to the Legislature in 1897. Resides in Hadlyme, Town of Lyme, County of New London, Conn.

Children:

(1) Erskine Hart, Jr., born 19 March, 1893.
(2) Frances Burrows, born 24 September, 1894.
(3) Leslie, born 17 June, 1899.
(4) Elihu, born 27 July, 1902.
(5) Hollis, born 26 October, 1905.

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EIGHTH GENERATION.

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OLIN POTTER (Walter,[7] Asahel C.,[6] Walter,[5] Walter,[4] Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 5 February, 1886, in Chicago, Ill.; married 5 September, 1913, in Granite Springs, N. Y., Charlotte Van Cortlandt Nicoll, the daughter of Edward Holland Nicoll and Edith Travers. She was born 15 July, 1886, in Flushing, L. I. He graduated at Williams College, A. B., 1907, and at the Law School of Columbia University, LL.B., 1910; is now connected with the firm of Miller, King, Lane & Trafford, 80 Broadway, New York City. He is a member of the Sons of the Revolution, the Society of Colonial Wars, Seventh Regiment, Williams Alumni Association, and a member of the Executive Committee of the West End Association. He is also a member of the Columbia University and City Clubs, New York City. Residence: 127 West 82nd Street, New York City.

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WALTER, JR. (Walter,[7] Asahel C.,[6] Walter,[5] Walter,[4] Shubael,[3] Shubael,[2] Thomas[1]), was born 27 May, 1889, in New York City. He was educated at Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, Conn. Graduated at Sheffield Scientific School, Yale University, Ph.B., 1911. Since 1911 he has been connected with the New York Architectural Terra-Cotta Company, of which he is now a Director and Vice-President and Assistant General Manager. He is a member of the Sons of the Revolution, the Society of Colonial Wars and Seventh Regiment. He is also a member of the Sachem Club at Yale, the Manhattan and Yale Clubs (New York City) and the Sleepy Hollow Country Club (Scarboro-on-Hudson). Residence: 246 West 72nd Street, New York City.

PART THREE

Allied Families

Unplaced Geers

Additional Information

Allied Families

DAVIS

ROBERT DAVIS, of Yarmouth and Barnstable, died in 1693; married ——. His name appears on the list of those who were able to bear arms in Yarmouth in August, 1643. His character for honesty and industry he transmitted to his posterity. All of his descendants for eight successive generations have been noted for their honest dealings and industrious habits.

DEBORAH DAVIS, daughter, of Yarmouth, Mass., was born in January, 1645-6; died in January, 1735-6 aet. "about ye 95th year"; married THOMAS GEER (1).

ABBE

JOHN ABBE, of Salem and Wenham, died after 1683; married Mary ——. She died 9 September, 1672, in Wenham, Mass.; John, a yeoman, was a proprietor of Salem, 1636, and moved to Wenham about 1642.

*THOMAS ABBE, son, born in 1656; died 17 May, 1728, in Enfield, Conn.; married Sarah Fairfield, 16 December, 1683, in Marblehead. Thomas Abbe was a soldier from Wenham in King Philip's War, 1675. He was engaged in the "Great Swamp Fight," 19 December, 1675, and was "among the wounded" in Rhode Island, 6 January, 1675-6. He must have moved to Enfield about 1686.

SARAH ABBE, daughter, was born 31 March, 1684, in Enfield, Conn.; died 16 February, 1731-2, in her 47th year; married, 27 January, 1702-3, SHUBAEL GEER (2).

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PEASE

ROBERT PEASE was born in 1607; died (administration) in 1644; married Marie ——.

*JOHN PEASE (Capt.), son, was born in 1630; died 8 July, 1689; married Mary Goodell, born in 1630; died 5 January, 1669. He was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1661, and its Sergeant in 1665. He was active in military affairs, and promoted to be a Captain of Militia in 1668.

*ROBERT PEASE, son, was born 14 May, 1656, in Salem; died 21 July, 1744, in Enfield, Conn.; married, 16 December, 1678, Abigail Randall. He served in King Philip's War, from Salem.

EBENEZER PEASE, son, was born 7 March, 1698-9, in Enfield, Conn.; died 21 October, 1743, in Enfield; married, 20 November, 1717, MINDWELL SEXTON.

HANNAH PEASE, daughter, married 20 November, 1737, SHUBAEL GEER, (3).

SEXTON

GEORGE SEXTON was born ——; died in 1688-1690; married Catherine ——. He lived in Windsor and Westfield. He was at the former place, 10 June, 1663.

JOSEPH SEXTON, (Capt.), son, was born in Windsor, in 1666. He moved to Enfield and died there 3 May, 1742. He married, 20 November, 1690, HANNAH WRIGHT.

MINDWELL SEXTON, daughter, was born in 1696; married, 20 November, 1717, EBENEZER PEASE.

WRIGHT

*ABEL WRIGHT, (Lieut.), of Springfield, Mass., was born in 1631; died 29 October, 1725, in his 94th year; married Martha Kritchwell, 1 December, 1659. She died 19 October, 1708. He served in the Indian Wars, and was deputy to the General Court, Massachusetts Bay Colony, in 1695.

HANNAH WRIGHT, daughter, was born in Springfield, 28 July, 1669; died in Enfield in 1742; married CAPT. JOSEPH SEXTON.

ALLEN

EDWARD ALLEN, of Ipswich and Suffield, was born ——; died 22 November, 1696; married, 24 November, 1658, SARAH KEMBALL.

CALEB ALLEN, son, of Suffield, Enfield and Northfield, was born 31 March, 1685; died in Northfield, 23 September, 1761; married, 4 April, 1721, HANNAH EATON.

*BENJAMIN ALLEN, son, was born in 1724; married, 6 November, 1751, PEGGY SPOFFORD. He was enlisted in Capt. Phineas Stevens' Company, in garrison at No. 4 (Charlestown, N. H.), from 10 March to 20 October, 1748, and again in 1749 and 1750, and is believed to have shared in all the dangers incident to the time and the defense of the place up to the conquest of Canada.

LUCY ALLEN, daughter, was born 28 March, 1758; married in 1783, WALTER GEER, (6).

KEMBALL

RICHARD KEMBALL, of Watertown and Ipswich, was born about 1595; married about 1614 in Rattlesden, Suffolk, England, URSULA SCOTT. She died before 23 October, 1661. He came to this country in the ship "Elizabeth," in 1634, the same ship and voyage that brought Thomas Scott and his wife and mother, and Robert Goodell and family. The Skotts or Scotts and Kimballs came from Rattlesden, Suffolk, England.

SARAH KEMBALL, daughter, was born in Watertown, Mass., in 1635; died 12 June, 1696; married 24 November, 1658, EDWARD ALLEN.

SCOTT

HENRY SCOTT, of Rattlesden, Suffolk, England, died 24 December, 1624; married Martha ——. She was born in 1575.

URSULA SCOTT, daughter, died before 23 October, 1661; married about 1614, in Rattlesden, Suffolk, England, RICHARD KEMBALL.

THOMAS SCOTT, son of Henry, came in the "Elizabeth of Ipswich" with his mother, wife and children, and with the Kimball and Goodell families. He lived in Cambridge and Ipswich, Mass.

ELIZABETH SCOTT, daughter, born in 1626; married JOHN SPOFFORD.

EATON

‡JOHN EATON was born in England about 1595. He settled in Salisbury about 1639-40; afterwards removed to Haverhill, in November, 1646. He died 29 October, 1668; married Ann ——. She died 5 February, 1660. He received land in Salisbury in 1640-43-46. Was a Selectman at Haverhill in 1648. He appears in one of Whittier's stories as Captain John Eaton.

THOMAS EATON, son, born before 1630; died 15 December, 1708; married Eunice ("Unity") Singletary.

*THOMAS EATON, son, was born 18 March, 1659-60; died 15 March, 1696-7; married Hannah Webster, 5 May, 1684. He served under Captain Poole in King Philip's War. Was killed by the Indians.

HANNAH EATON, daughter, born in Haverhill, Mass., 30 September, 1688; died 8 June, 1786, in Northfield, Mass., aged 88 years; married CALEB ALLEN.

SPOFFORD

JOHN SPOFFORD, of Rowley and Georgetown, Mass., died in 1678; married ELIZABETH SCOTT.

*JOHN SPOFFORD, son, born 24 December, or October, 1648; died 22 April, 1696, in Bradford, Mass.; married Sarah

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Wheeler 9 March, 1675. He served in Capt. Prentice's troop, Narragansett Campaign, King Philip's War, 1675-6.

*JOHN SPOFFORD, (Capt.), son, was born 12 June, 1678; died 4 October, 1736; married 15 February, 1700, DORCAS HOPKINSON. He served in the Provincial Forces in 1721.

JOHN SPOFFORD, (Capt.), son, was born 19 March, 1704, in Rowley, Mass.; married (intention) in Boxford, Mass., 27 October, 1728, HANNAH TYLER.

PEGGY SPOFFORD, daughter, born in Rowley, 30 June, 1735; died ——; married 6 November, 1751, BENJAMIN ALLEN.

HOPKINSON

MICHAEL HOPKINSON, buried 28 February, 1648-9; married Ann ——. She was born about 1615 and died 24 September, 1678. He was admitted to the First Church, Boston, 6 January, 1638-9; dismissed to Rowley 24 November, 1639; freeman, 13 May, 1640; owned an acre and a half house lot on Bradford Street in 1643.

*JOHN HOPKINSON, son, of Rowley, was born 7 January, 1646; died 29 May, 1704; married ELIZABETH PEARSON, 8 June, 1670. He served in Capt. Brocklebank's Company, King Philip's War.

DORCAS HOPKINSON, daughter, was born 26 February, 1676; married 15 February, 1700, CAPT. JOHN SPOFFORD.

PEARSON

**JOHN PEARSON, died 22 December, 1693; married Dorcas ——. John Pearson was of Rowley about 1644, and a deacon there in 1686. Representative to the General Court, 1678 to 1683, and again in 1685 and 1686.

ELIZABETH PEARSON, daughter, was born 17 October, 1646; married 8 June, 1670, JOHN HOPKINSON.

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TYLER

JOHN TYLER, of Andover, Mass., was born about 1621; married Mary ——.

MOSES TYLER, son, was born in 1642; Quartermaster, of Rowley and Andover, living in 1712. Savage says he died 2 October, 1727; married Prudence Blake of Boxford, 6 July, 1666, in Andover. He was quartermaster of Essex County Militia in 1689.

JOHN TYLER, (Capt.), son, was born 14 September, 1669; died 17 June, 1756; married ANNA MESSENGER, (While he is called Captain, he does not seem to have served in any war.)

HANNAH TYLER, daughter, was born 13 June, 1714; married 27 October, 1728, JOHN SPOFFORD.

MESSINGER

HENRY MESSINGER and his wife Sarah were residents of Boston prior to the year 1640. He was the first known proprietor of the land upon which the Massachusetts Historical Society Building and the Boston Museum afterward stood. He was a member of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company in 1658. His wife left the Messinger coat-of-arms in her will to their son Simon. These arms are not described.

JOHN MESSINGER, son, was born 25 January, 1641; married Martha ——.

ANNA MESSINGER, daughter, of Boston, was born in 1677 and died 11 February, 1745-6; married CAPT. JOHN TYLER.

VAN BUREN

CORNELIS VAN BUREN, the fore-bear, came from Holland in 1631 on the ship "Endracht." He came from the Province of Gelderland, from the small place called Burmalsen, near the town of Buren, a few miles from the Rhine. Three years later he returned to Holland, married there, and

came back to this country in 1636. He settled in the Colony of Rensselaerwyck. His career was rather uneventful. It is recorded that he purchased a piece of property in Manhattan, located between the present Christopher and Fourteenth Streets, doubtless having a North River frontage. He and his wife Catalyntje both died and were buried the same day at their farm at Papsknee, some time in 1648.

MARTIN VAN BUREN, son, was born in 1638 or 9; died 13 November, 1703; married Marytjie (Mary) Quackenbosch about 1662. He owned a house, barn, etc., in Bethlehem, Albany Co., in 1662. In 1665 or 1675 (as authorities differ) he owned one-half of Constaples Island, a short distance below Albany, in the Hudson River. He and his wife were members of the Dutch Reformed Church in Albany prior to 1683. In 1697 the census credits his family as "two men, no women, one child." On 7 May, 1693, he married, 2nd, Tanneken (Ann) Adams, widow of Pieter P. Winne. In 1700 he was Captain in Colonel Pieter Schuyler's regiment at Albany. He made his will in Dutch, 10 April, 1703, and it was proved 7 June, 1710.

MARTIN VAN BUREN, son, was born in 1678; died 21 October, 1740; married in 1700, Judikjie Barentse (Meindersen); married, 2nd, 14 July, 1719, Maria Van den Berg. He was a Freeholder in 1720 at Rensselaerwyck. He and his wife were members of the Albany Dutch Church, and their children were all baptized there.

JOHANNES VAN BUREN, son, by the second marriage, was baptized 21 November, 1725; died ——; married 26 April, 1760, Marytje Briesch.

MARTIN VAN BUREN, son, was born 16 December, 1762; married Elizabeth Newell at Schaghticoke. They had issue: John, born 12 June, 1785; Elizabeth and Henrietta. John and Elizabeth lived and died in Lockport, New York. Martin and Elizabeth, his wife, were sponsors at the baptism 13 January, 1789, of Martin Becker, born 21 November, 1788, the son of Margarita Van Buren, who married John Becker. Barent, the father of Margarita, was a half-brother of Jo-

hannes, the father of Martin—hence Martin and Margarita were cousins. Martin, the father of Henrietta, was a second cousin of Abraham, the father of Martin Van Buren, the eighth President of the United States. In those days, as now, it was customary to say cousin, and not mention the degree.

HENRIETTA VAN BUREN, daughter, was born in Easton, Washington County, New York, 20 September, 1792; married 2 November, 1815, WALTER GEER (10).

DANFORTH

*NICHOLAS DANFORTH, progenitor of the American branch of this family, was baptized in Framlingham, England, 1 March, 1589; died in Cambridge, Mass., in April, 1638; married Elizabeth ——. The marriage registers at Framlingham are wanting from 1615 to 1620, the period which includes his wedding; the baptismal registers give us merely the Christian name of his wife, "Elizabeth," nor do any documents yet discovered show her family name. Elizabeth died in Framlingham and was buried there 22 February, 1623.

Nicholas was the son of Thomas Danforth, who married Jane Sudbury, 24 January, 1585. He was buried 21 March, 1601.

The parish registers of Framlingham show that Nicholas was one of the leading men there, being a church warden in 1622. We learn further from the history of the town that he was a member of the "Court Baron" or "Borough Leet Jury" in 1629.

Nicholas came from Framlingham, Suffolk, England, in 1634 and settled in Cambridge, Mass. He is mentioned in the town records there as a proprietor in 1635. The historian of Cambridge states that he resided in what is now called Bow Street, near Mt. Auburn Street. He was chosen a deputy or representative to the General Court of Massachusetts in 1635.

*JONATHAN DANFORTH, (Captain), youngest son of Nicholas, was born in Framlingham, England; baptized there 2 March, 1627-8; died 7 September, 1712, in Billerica, Mass.

He married 22 November, 1654, in Boston, Elizabeth Powter (or Poulter), by whom he had eleven children. She was born 1 September, 1633, in Raleigh, England, and died 7 October, 1689, in Billerica. After her death he married, second, on 17 November, 1690, Esther Champney of Cambridge, the widow of Josiah Converse of Woburn. She died soon after her husband, 5 April, 1713.

As a child, Jonathan came with his father, brothers and sisters to Cambridge and was there brought up. He became a resident of the new town of Billerica, whose lands were chiefly owned by Cambridge people. He was selectman, town clerk, representative, and captain of the Billerica Company of Militia in 1689, having been commissioned as such 10 October, 1683. He made his will 23 April, 1712. It was probated 27 October, 1712.

*JONATHAN DANFORTH, (Ensign), was the eldest son of Captain Jonathan. He was born in Billerica, 18 February, 1658-9; died 17 January, 1710-11; married 27 June, 1682, Rebecca Parker, by whom he had nine children. He was in garrison in Billerica at his father's house, 14 October, 1675.

SAMUEL DANFORTH was the third son of Ensign Jonathan. He was born 16 September, 1692, in Billerica; died about 1749; married 5 August, 1714, DOROTHY SHED, by whom he had twelve children. The records show that administration was granted 17 August, 1749, to Samuel Danforth, Jr., on the estate of Samuel Danforth, Yeoman. The inventory included: "One right in a township granted to the soldiers that weare in the Narraganset wars."

†JONATHAN DANFORTH, (Captain), was the youngest son of Samuel. He was born 14 June, 1736, in Billerica; died in Williamstown, Mass., in February, 1802; married, first, in Warren, 22 April, 1759, Lydia, daughter of Nathaniel and Phoebe (Lamb) Read, by whom he had five children. Married as his second wife, 13 September, 1770, MIRIAM

† Accepted by Society of the Sons of the Revolution.

COOWIE, by whom he had six children. She was born 9 July, 1748, in Warren, Massachusetts.

Jonathan moved to Western, now Warren, Mass., and resided there, and at Williamstown.

By his first wife, Lydia, Jonathan had two sons and three daughters. Joshua, the eldest son, settled in Pittsfield, Massachusetts. He was Postmaster there for over forty years and was one of the founders of the Society of the Cincinnati. Another son, Jonathan, settled in St. Albans, Vermont. One of his daughters, Mrs. Billings, settled in Cambridge, N. Y. Another settled in Vermont and her granddaughter, Mrs. Woodward, was the mother of Vice-President William A. Wheeler, while still another daughter married Judge Poland, for many years Senator from Vermont.

The following is the official memorandum of Jonathan's military service, as accepted by the Society of the Sons of the Revolution and by the Order of the Founders and Patriots of America:

"Jonathan Danforth, of Western, Sergeant in Captain Reuben Read's Company of Minute Men, Colonel Jonathan Warner's Regiment, which marched 20 April, 1775, to Roxbury in response to the alarm of 19 April, 1775; also Captain in Colonel David Brewer's Massachusetts Continental Regiment, from 24 April to December, 1775; also Captain of the 8th Company in the 6th Regiment Massachusetts Continental Infantry, Colonel Asa Whitcomb, from January to December, 1776; in camp at Ticonderoga, 27 November, 1776; Captain in Colonel Wigglesworth's Regiment; Minute Man at the battle of Bunker Hill; also at the battle of Bennington, Vermont."

KEYES DANFORTH, fourth child and third son of Jonathan by his second wife, Miriam, was born in Williamstown, Mass., 6 June, 1778; died there 6 October, 1851; married in 1800, MARY BUSHNELL. He served several terms in the State Legislature of Massachusetts, and was for many years the leader of the Democratic Party in Berkshire County. Three of his four sons were lawyers and his four daughters all married lawyers. Mary, the eldest daughter, married

Judge A. B. Olin, who was one of the most prominent lawyers in eastern New York, served three terms in Congress, and was appointed by President Lincoln as Judge of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia. Another daughter, Hannah, married Joseph White, one of the most distinguished scholars in New England. Mr. White was for a time partner of Judge Olin, and afterwards succeeded Horace Mann and Governor Boutwell as Secretary of the Board of Education of Massachusetts. He was one of the founders and trustees of Smith College, and for nearly forty years treasurer and trustee of Williams College. Another daughter, Harriet, married Colonel George H. Brown of Providence, for many years leader of the Bar of the State of Rhode Island, Representative in Congress, and a distinguished soldier in the Civil War as commander of a regiment from Rhode Island. The eighth and youngest child and fourth daughter was Helen Augusta.

HELEN AUGUSTA DANFORTH, fourth daughter and eighth and youngest child of Keyes, was born in Williamstown, Massachusetts, 31 January, 1828; married 24 January, 1856, ASAHEL CLARKE GEER, (14).

SHED

*DANIEL SHED, (Corporal), died 27 July, 1708; married May ——. He was a member of the Rev. Samuel Whiting's garrison in Billerica, with his son John Shed and others, 8 October, 1675.

*JOHN SHED, son, was born 2 March, 1655, in Billerica; died 31 January, 1736-7; married SARAH CHAMBERLAIN, 9 January, 1676-7. He is on Major Simon Willard's payroll for 12 October, 1675.

DOROTHY SHED, daughter, born 14 January, 1691-2; married SAMUEL DANFORTH.

CHAMBERLAIN

*WILLIAM CHAMBERLAIN, born about 1620, of Woburn and Billerica; died 31 May, 1706, in Billerica. He was

a soldier in Sergt. Hill's garrison house, Billerica, 8 October, 1675. He received payment for military service at Billerica, 24 February, 1676-7.

SARAH CHAMBERLAIN, daughter, was born 20 May, 1655; married 9 January, 1676-7, JOHN SHED.

COOWIE

MIRIAM COOWIE was born 9 July, 1748, in Warren, Mass., the daughter of Andrew and Jane Coowie; died in Williamstown, Mass., in 1820; married 13 September, 1770, JONATHAN DANFORTH. She was a woman of remarkable character and ability. Left alone at home during the Revolutionary War with her family of small children she, with the aid of her young sons, carried on the farm, enduring untold hardships which made her a cripple from rheumatism for several years before her death. Her husband, Jonathan, raised a company of Minute Men at Western, now Warren, Worcester County, Mass., and fought at the battle of Bunker Hill with his two sons, Joshua and Jonathan. While at Boston he was taken sick with small pox and his wife made the trip on horseback from Western to Boston, a distance of almost one hundred miles, carrying a babe of eleven months, and nursed him through his illness and then returned on horseback to Western. Some years later Jonathan moved to Williamstown and purchased a farm of several hundred acres, on which he lived and died. This farm was also the residence of his son Keyes, and of his grandson of the same name, during their lives, but is now (1914) no longer in the possession of the family.

Captain Jonathan raised a company of Minute Men at Williamstown, which he commanded at the battle of Bennington. Before leaving home he told his wife that if information reached her that the enemy were marching on Williamstown, she was to harness the oxen to a cart and carry away everything she could. Twice the report reached her that the enemy were coming and twice she loaded her cart, but the reports proved to be false. After the battle some British officers who had been captured, and their wives, were

quartered on her for several days, and one of the women left with her an embroidered silk dress which, tradition says, "was so thick that it could stand alone." This was afterwards her daughter's wedding dress.

BUSHNELL

‡FRANCIS BUSHNELL, born in England; died 1646; married Rebecca ——. He was one of the first settlers of Guilford, Conn., 1 June, 1639.

*WILLIAM BUSHNELL, (Lieut.), son, died 12 November, 1683; married Rebecca Chapman of Saybrook, sister of Robert. William Bushnell was confirmed to be Lieutenant of Train Band at Saybrook, Conn., in May, 1679. He had been made Sergeant of the same under Lieut. William Pratt in 1661. He was deputy to the General Court of Connecticut in 1670.

WILLIAM BUSHNELL, son, was born 15 February, 1648-9; died 9 December 1711; married Rebecca ——, 7 October, 1673. She died 14 May, 1703.

EPHRAIM BUSHNELL, son, was born 14 February, 1675-6; married 16 October, 1712, Anne Hill.

THOMAS BUSHNELL, son, was born 24 August, 1722; died in October, 1771; married Dorothy Douglas 24 June 1756, in Saybrook, Conn.

EPHRAIM BUSHNELL, son, of Saybrook, Conn., was born 24 August, 1760.

MARY BUSHNELL, daughter, was born 28 September, 1784; died 27 January, 1867; married, in 1800, KEYES DANFORTH.

POTTER

JOHN POTTER, the first settler, was born in England, about 1607; died about 1643; married Elizabeth ——. He came to America, probably with his brother William, in the "Abigail," from London, in 1635, and settled in East Haven,

then a part of the town of New Haven, Conn. In 1651 he obtained 20 acres of the Fresh Meadow lands. On the 19th of August, 1680, Sergeant John Potter bought of Thomas Clark a farm of about 360 acres. His estate was rated at £25, and his family consisted then of four persons, himself, wife and two sons, John, Jr., and Samuel.

JOHN POTTER, JR., son, born about 1635; baptized in New Haven, Conn., 17 October, 1641; died 24 December, 1706; married, in 1661, Hannah Cooper. In 1662 he bought a homestead in East Haven. In this deed he is called blacksmith. His will was proved in New Haven the first Monday in January, 1706-7—inventory £416.45.

SAMUEL POTTER, son, born 2 January, 1675; died 26 November, 1737 (?); married 10 January, 1710-11, Abigail Hill. No further record.

DAVID POTTER, son, born 26 November, 1717; died in Hamden after 1773; married 17 November, 1748, Sarah Gilbert. His will was made 9 March, 1773. In the inventory, which amounted to £27 7s, he was called David Potter, of the parish of Mount Carmel, since called town of Hamden.

ABEL POTTER, son, was born in Hamden, 15 June, 1749; died 29 August, 1818; married Mary Turner.

SAMUEL POTTER, son, was born in Hamden, 24 October, 1794; died 19 February, 1880; married 21 February, 1819, SOPHIA RICE, born in 1792; died in 1865; daughter of Dorothy Houghton and Samuel Rice. He removed in 1819 to Charlemont, Mass., carrying his effects by two ox teams. He settled upon a hillside farm, mostly covered with primeval forest, looking down upon the Deerfield Valley. The homestead is now owned by his great nephew, Mark W. Potter, of New York City.

ORLANDO BRONSON POTTER, son, born in Charlemont, Mass., 10 March, 1823; died in New York City, 2 January, 1894; married 28 October, 1850, Martha Green Wiley, born in 1822 and died in 1879, daughter of BENJAMIN BROWN WILEY. He entered Williams College in the class

of 1845, but was obliged by ill-health to leave in the Sophomore year. After a trip at sea, he obtained employment at Denis, Cape Cod. In 1845 he entered Dane Law School, Harvard College, and was admitted to the bar in Boston, 12 February, 1845. He opened an office in Court Square, and also an evening office in South Reading, ten miles from Boston. He continued his practice until May, 1853, when he removed to New York to take charge of the business of the Grover & Baker Sewing Machine Co. He became President of this company, and retained that position until the company retired from active business, in 1876. Soon after his arrival in New York, he became interested in real estate, and erected a number of buildings. On 14 August, 1861, he laid before the Secretary of the Treasury, Judge Chase, the first comprehensive plan for a national currency. This plan, without material modification, was adopted in the National Banking Act of 25 February, 1863. In November, 1882, he was elected to Congress from New York City, as a Democrat. He was a member of the Committee on Banking and Currency and took part in most of the important discussions before the House. He declined a renomination in 1884. In 1886 he completed the erection of the large office building at Park Row and Beekman Street, New York City, which bears his name.

MARY POTTER, daughter, born in New York City, 24 December, 1857; married 26 September, 1883, WALTER GEER (18).

RICE

* EDMUND RICE, born about 1594, the American ancestor of this family, came from Barkhamstead, in the county of Hertfordshire, in England, and settled in Sudbury, Mass., in 1638-9. This place, called "the plantation lying near unto Concord" was incorporated in 1639, by the name of Sudbury. His residence was on the east side of Sudbury river, in the southerly part of what is now Wayland. He was Selectman in 1644, deacon of the church in 1648. In 1656, he was one of the thirteen petitioners belonging to Sudbury who besought the General Court for a new plantation. Their petition was granted, and the new plantation was incorporated in 1660 un-

der the name of Marlborough, and he removed to that place. His wife, "Tamazine," died at Sudbury, 13 June, 1654. He married, 2nd, "Mercie," widow of Thomas Brigham, of Cambridge, on 1 March, 1655. He was deputy to the General Court in 1640 and later. He died at Marlborough, 3 May, 1663, and was buried at Sudbury. The inventory of his estate amounted to £743.

EDWARD RICE, the second son of Edmund, born about 1619; died 15 August, 1712; married Anna ——. He resided first at Sudbury, and later at Marlborough, where he was Deacon of the Church. His widow Anna died at Marlborough, 4 June, 1713, aged 83.

JOHN RICE, the eldest son of Edward, born about 1647; died 6 September, 1719, aged 72; married Tabitha Stover, of Sudbury, 27 November, 1674. He resided at Sudbury (now Wayland) on part of the homestead of his grandfather, Edmund.

MOSES RICE, the third son and ninth child of John, was born 27 October, 1694; died 11 June, 1755; married Sarah King, at Sudbury, 16 November, 1719. He removed to Worcester about 1722. He was posted at Rutland, Worcester County, on garrison duty, with others from Worcester, in 1724, under the command of Captain Samuel Wright of Rutland. He commanded a company of cavalry while he resided at Worcester. He removed to Rutland, where he appeared of record in 1742. He purchased 2200 acres of land in the township of Charlemont, 23 April, 1743, and later removed to that place. Being a frontier settlement, it was exposed during the French and Indian Wars, and suffered by the ravages of the enemy. On 11 June, 1755, while Captain Rice was ploughing in a field, he was shot by Indians lying in ambush, and severely wounded. He was then taken some distance into the adjoining woods where he was tomahawked and scalped. Such was his tragical end. His widow, Sarah, died about 1788.

SAMUEL RICE, eldest son of Moses, was born at Sudbury 10 August, 1720; died at Charlemont 20 September,

1793; married Dorothy Martin, of Rutland, at Worcester, 20 July, 1741. She died at Charlemont, 9 February, 1790.

† SAMUEL RICE, the fourth son of Samuel, was born ——; died at Charlemont, 16 December, 1832; married Dorothy Houghton. He was Corporal in Captain Isaac Farwell's Company, 1st Regiment New Hampshire Line, Colonel Joseph Cilley, 1780. (The same regiment in which WALTER GEER served.)

SOPHIA RICE, the seventh child, of Samuel, was born 3 March, 1792; died ——; married 21 February, 1819, SAMUEL POTTER.

GREEN

THOMAS GREEN, the progenitor of this family in America, was born in 1606, in Leicestershire (probably), in England; died 9 December, 1667. He married Elizabeth ——, by whom he had five sons and five daughters. It seems most probable that with his wife Elizabeth, and at least three of his children, he came over among the early settlers of the Massachusetts Colony; that he remained temporarily in some one of the new settlements, perhaps Ipswich, till about 1649 or 1650, when he removed to the northern part of Malden (now Melrose), the southern part having been already occupied by settlers from Charlestown; that there he came into possession of his farm, consisting of "meadow, broken upland and waste land, being by estimation 63 acres, with the meadow at Ensign Lynds'," (Thomas Greene's Inventory); and that with him, or near him, were living all his children, except Hannah, who married Joseph Richardson, and removed to Woburn. His farm was situated just east of the present site of the Stoneham railroad station. Here was the "old mansion house," with its "parlor" furnished with "a bedstead, a featherbed, one boulster, one pillow, 3 curtains, a Valliance, one chest, 2 pair of sheets and two blanketts, 5 napkins and one little table cloath, 6 chairs, one great chest, one box, 2 cushions, one Cosleat compleat, one Musquett, one table, one Wollen Wheele & one old warming

† Accepted by the Sons of the Revolution.

pan"; also a "little chamber," furnished with "two flock beds, coverlett, blankett &c."; also "Samuel's chamber," containing "one feather bed, one straw bed, Rugg, Box & bed stead (half headed)"; also a "Hall" containing "4 pewter dishes, one candle sticke, one salt sellar, one old copper kettle, two skilletts, one iron pott, pott hook & kettle, 4 great trays & 4 little trays, one Doz. Trenchers, one salt box, one grate, two payles, one half bushell, one old pillion & saddle, Tramell, tongs, cleaver & Spitt"; also a "Leantoe," containing "a fox trap and a Bracke"; and, finally, a "cellar," containing "one meal trough, one Bear barrell, a grindstone, winch, Hough & Smoothing irons, a Scythe-snath & knip," as well as sundry other articles. The same inventory which gives us this information tells us that he had "four oxen, five cows, one bull a year & vantage, one mare, one horse, six sheep, the half of eleven swine; some fifty bushells" of grain, and that "the house, out-housing, orchard, and all the land belonging there unto," was valued at £179.12, the whole estate being estimated worth £285.18.2. It is evident, from deeds on records at East Cambridge, that his sons and grandsons purchased lands in the immediate vicinity of the "old mansion house"; so that, though many of them are recorded as belonging to Stoneham (called "Charlestown End" 1725) and Reading, they were yet not far distant from the old homestead.

SAMUEL GREEN, the youngest son of Thomas, was born in March, 1645; died 31 October, 1724; married, in 1666, Mary, daughter of Richard Cook, by whom he had ten children, seven sons and three daughters.

THOMAS GREEN, the second son of Samuel, was born in Malden, in 1669; died 24 August, 1745; married 10 May, 1698, Hannah, daughter of John Vinton, of Woburn. They had three sons and one daughter.

THOMAS GREEN, the eldest son of Thomas, was born at Malden, 9 December, 1702; died in 1753; married Mary, daughter of Daniel Green of Stoneham. They had two sons and four daughters.

JEREMIAH GREEN, the youngest son of Thomas, was born 1 June, 1762; died in 1836; married, in 1782, Martha Green of Stoneham, by whom he had eleven children, three sons and eight daughters. He left a very handsome estate. He enlisted in the Revolutionary War from South Reading, Mass., and served for over nine months as a private in the Massachusetts troops under Captain Green and Colonel Howe. He was granted a pension for these services, in 1833, at the age of seventy. (Letter of Bureau of Pensions, Department of the Interior, to H. H. Green, Lynn, Mass., under date of September 24, 1896.)

KETURAH GREEN, the fourth daughter of Jeremiah, was born 12 May, 1793; died 24 May, 1846; married 5 January, 1809, BENJAMIN BROWN WILEY.

WILEY

JOHN WILEY, was one of the earliest settlers in the town of Reading, Mass. The date of his birth, and of his arrival from England are unknown. He lived in "Little World," now called Woodville. He died about 1672. His wife, Elizabeth, died in 1662. He had a son, Timothy (born 1653), and three daughters.

TIMOTHY WILEY, was born 1653; died 1728; married, 1st, in 1678, Elizabeth, daughter of George Davis. She died 1695. He married, 2nd, in 1697, Susanna ——. By his first wife he had three sons: John, Timothy, Jr., and Benjamin, 3rd (named after an uncle in England), and by his second wife, one son, Thomas.

THOMAS WILEY, the youngest son of Timothy, born in 1697; married in 1728 Tabertha, daughter of John Goodwin; had two sons and one daughter.

EBENEZER WILEY, the youngest son of Thomas, born in 1729; died in 1771; had four sons and one daughter.

JAMES WILEY, eldest son of Ebenezer, was born 24 January, 1755; married in 1779, Mary, daughter of Elias Bryant, born 25 August, 1754. They had five sons and two daughters.

BENJAMIN BROWN WILEY, the third son of James, was born 8 April, 1786; died in 1877; married, 5 January, 1809, KETURAH, daughter of Jeremiah Green. She was born 12 May, 1793, and died 24 May, 1846.

MARTHA GREEN WILEY, daughter, was born 4 March, 1822; died 12 February, 1879; married 28 October, 1850, ORLANDO B. POTTER.

Unplaced Geers

AMOS GEER, married at Monson, Mass., 24 October, 1756, to Lucy Rogers.

BENAJAH GEER, Shoemaker, of Coventry, Connecticut, was on the Roll of Captain Nathaniel Webb's Company, 4 Connecticut Regiment, Colonel John Durkee (in 1779 Rev. War) at age of 21. (He may have been a son of Benajah, the third child of Joseph (3) See page 19.)

EBENEZER GEER, from Niles, N. Y., graduated Syracuse University, class 1848; was a physician at Chemung, N. Y.

EDWARD GEER, graduated Yale 1818; died 1832.

ELIAS GEER, married Lovina Paul. Child, Alvah K., born 2 February, 1822, in Wells, Vermont. He married, 20 May, 1856, Almira Burr, daughter of Asahel and Betsey (Classon) Burr, born in Springfield, Vt., 6 January, 1824.

EUGENE A. GEER, was born 16 August, 1856, in Galva, Illinois; married, Sarah Ellen Heath, 15 September 1879. She was born in Stanstead, Canada, 2 April, 1863. He is the son of Eben E. Geer, born 10 April, 1826, married Harriet Ann Pardee, 8 March, 1849, and the grandson of J. H. ("Dyer") Geer, born 30 July 1787; married Sarah Jefferson, 22 December, 1811; eleven children. Resides, 709 North Waller Avenue, Austin, Chicago, Ill. Children: (1) Harriet Oliver, born 21 October, 1881; (2) Ethel May, born 10 October, 1887; married L. N. Brady, has three children: Lawrence, Howard and Grace.

EZEKIEL GEER, died 2 December, 1793; married Martha Birdsall before 1793. She died 3 August, 1855.

GEORGE WASHINGTON GERE, born 22 March, 1843, in Clark County, Illinois; died 1910; married 14 October 1867,

Mary H. Lee, of Marysville, Ohio. Son of John Gere and Emily Catron. Educated at public school, Urbana, Illinois; graduated Chicago Law School, LL. B., 1865; in practice with General John C. Black, 1870-5. Member Illinois State Bar Association. Resided, Champaign, Ill.

JOHN GEER, married, 4 October, 1759, Jerusha Parke of Preston, Conn., daughter of John and Jerusha (Starkweather) Parke. She was born 12 January, 1738-9. (This may have been John, born 1729, son of John (13) on page 31.)

JOHN GEER, married Mary Slocum, in Windham, Conn., She was born in 1822. She married, 2nd, Thomson Lamphire. Lived in Chenango Co., N. Y. and in Earlville and Hamilton, Madison Co. Her father was born in Rhode Island.

JONATHAN KINGSBURY GEER, of Hampton, born about 1745, died 25 September, 1802, age 57, in Hampton. Married, 1st, Anne Geer of Hampton, 14 January 1768. Married, 2nd, Lodenia Ransom of Kent. He was a Yale graduate, 1767; a farmer on a large scale; owned about 500 acres of land, kept 60 heads of cattle and owned twelve riding horses. Children by 1st wife: (1) Anne, born 21 November, 1768; baptized 16 December, 1770. (2) Lora, born 8 September, 1771; baptized 6 October, 1771. (3) Mercy, born 9 October, 1773; baptized 25 October, 1773; died 12 May, 1774.

J. J. GEER, Captain, on General Buckland's Staff, during the Civil War, author of "Beyond the Lines; or, A Yankee Prisoner Loose in Dixie," published, Philadelphia, 1864, by J. W. Daughaday.

LEMUEL GEER, date of birth and death unknown. He was a private in Captain Elijah Dewey's Company at the Battle of Bennington, 16 August, 1777.

OLIVER P. GEER, graduated Syracuse University, class 1836; died 1895.

ROBERT HOLMES GERE, born 4 June 1859, South Granby, N. Y.; married 25 April, 1893, Harriet W. Sexsmith; child, Katherine Townsend, born 6 August 1894. Syracuse

University Ph. B. 1883; Ph. M. 1886; LL. B. 1898; engaged in newspaper work at Syracuse 1884-96; admitted to Bar 1898; firm of Gere & Church, lawyers, Syracuse.

RUTH GEER, married at Preston, Connecticut, 20 December, 1787, to Ichabod Ecclestone, Jr., (?) of Stonington.

SAMUEL GEER, born about 1755, married 18 December, 1777, Hannah Phelps, daughter of Barrett and Hannah (Bigelow) Phelps. She was born in Hebron, 4 July, 1753. They lived in Hebron. Children, all born in Hebron: (1) Hannah, born 17 March, 1779; (2) Ephraim, born 7 May, 1780.

STEPHEN GEER, married Ruth Codwise in Hopewell, Dutchess Co., New York, 23 December 1806. No children recorded there.

WILLIAM GERE, graduated Yale, 1827; was living 1901.

WILLIAM JOSEPH FINN GEER, born 19 March 1872, graduated, M. D. Syracuse University, 1897. Resided Syracuse.

Additional Information

DENNIS GEERE, born about 1605; died in 1637 (will probated 6 August); married Elizabeth ——, born about 1613; came to Boston in the "Abigall" from London, 1635, at the age of 30, with his wife Elizabeth, aged 22, and two daughters, aged three and two years. (Pope's Pioneers of Massachusetts, page 184). He settled at Saugus, near Lynn, Mass. A copy of his will is given in the New England Historic-Genealogical Register. He left no male issue. John Matthews, genealogist, of London, England, states that Dennis was a descendant of Walter Geere, of Heavitree, Devon, and therefore a cousin, in some degree, of George and Thomas. His record is therefore given here, as a matter of general interest in connection with the family history.

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GEORGE GEER was buried in an old Indian burial ground in what is now the town of Griswold, about two miles from the farm where he died. These early graves were marked only by small flat stones, and the only legible marks were simple initials, if anything, and cannot now be distinguished; but the grave of George was known, as a white oak tree grew out of his grave to mark the spot. Many years ago the tree was cut to the ground, and used for ship timber, but the grave was still known by the stump. James L. Geer (106) thought the place ought to have a permanent marker, so he had a rough stone cut of Westerly granite, with this inscription, "Our first Ancestor, George Geer, died 1726, aged 105, to mark his grave." This was placed on a solid foundation of stones and cement.

(6) Mary, married 23 September, 1697, Zachariah Mainor. They lived in Groton (now Allyn's Point, Ledyard), adjoining the farm of her grandfather,

Robert Allyn. Their descendants, now living in the town, spell the name Maynard. Children: (a) Zachariah, born 23 April, 1700; (b) Hannah, born 23 July, 1706; (c) Mary, born 13 August, 1711.

(9) Anne, married 28 May, 1700, Daniel Tyler, brother of Martha, who married her brother Robert.

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JONATHAN GEER.

(4) Mary, married Jonathan Potts, 10 November, 1713.

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JOSEPH GEER, settled in the north part of Preston (now Griswold) about two miles from his brother Jonathan, and the place has been owned and occupied by the Geer family ever since. His son (5) James, known as "Sergeant Jimmie," lived there, and his daughter Elifel, who married Asa Partridge, succeeded to the farm, and they sold it to John Wheeler Geer (38), in 1816, for his son Elijah Denison Geer (69), who married Dorothy or Dolly Geer, and their son David Austin Geer (109) succeeded his parents and now his son Edward Austin Geer (147) owns the farm. Mary Ellen, daughter of Elijah Denison, was born there; she married James L. Geer (106).

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ROBERT GEER, married Martha Tyler, 3 April, 1700. She was daughter of Hopestill Tyler, of Preston, Conn., and grand-daughter of Job Tyler, of Andover, Mass., the immigrant ancestor from England. Robert Geer held various town offices, and was warden for many years of the Episcopal church in the north part of Groton, now Ledyard, at the village of Poquetanuck.

(3) James, of Groton, married 27 November, 1739, Sarah Chesebrough. She was born 14 August, 1715, daughter of Samuel and Priscilla (Alden) Chesebrough. She married, 2nd, Ebenezer Billings, and 3rd, Captain John Denison.

(5) Martha, born after 1700 in North Groton (probably); died about 1752; married Jacob Park, 18 July, 1723, in Groton, Conn. Children: (a) Jacob, born 22 February, 1724-5; (b) Martha, born 27 September, 1727; (c) Timothy, born 20 November, 1729.

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JEREMIAH GEER.

(6) Jerusha, died 10 March, 1735; married Zebediah Gates of Preston, 5 June, 1727; he married 2nd, Mehitable Downing. Children, all born in Preston, Conn.: (a) Andrew, born 29 March, 1728; (b) Daniel, born 8 May, 1730; (c) Esther, born 25 September, 1732.

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JONATHAN GEER, JR.

(5) Samuel, died in April, 1765; married, 1st, Mrs. Esther Clough, 25 July, 1753, married, 2nd, Mrs. Abigail (Wetmore) Burt, who was born in Middletown, Conn., 18 September, 1729, and died 12 September, 1789. The town records of Middletown do not tell when he arrived in Middletown or where he came from. Children by 1st wife: (1) Samuel. (2) Esther. (3) Epaphras. (4) George. Child by 2nd wife: (5)+ Hezekiah.

HEZEKIAH GEER, born 26 April, 1761, at Middletown, Conn.; died in Pittsfield, Mass., 4 August, 1822; married 9 February, 1790, in Middletown, Sarah Gilbert, daughter of Jonathan Gilbert. She was born 1 November, 1763; died in Galena, Ill., 1837. Children: (1)+ Ezekiel Gilbert. (2) Hezekiah. (3) Charles. (4) William. (5) Samuel.

EZEKIEL GILBERT GEAR, born in Middletown, Conn., 13 September, 1793; died ——; married, 1st, at Chesterfield, N. H., 22 March, 1819, Miranda Cook; married, 2nd, 16 May, 1829, Mary Tardley How. He was Chaplain in the United States Army.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Mary Elizabeth, born 5 January, 1820; married, 1st, 4 September, 1839, Lieutenant Samuel Whitehorn, U. S. A.; married, 2nd, 12 November, 1851, Lieutenant Thomas Castor, U. S. A. She died 1875.

(2) Margaret Ann, born 10 April, 1822; married, 25 May, 1842, Lieutenant Stephen D. Carpenter. She died 24 March, 1852.

+(3) John Henry, born 7 April, 1825; died 14 July, 1900; married, 1852, Harriet S. Foot.

Children by 2nd wife:

(4) Thomas Rudd, born 6 April, 1830; died 3 February, 1839.

(5) Edmond Theodore, born 21 November, 1831; died 23 May, 1835.

(6) Sarah Eliza, born 20 June, 1834; died 20 July, 1837.

(7) Angelica Rose, born 23 February, 1837; died 11 September, 1880; married A. E. Latimer, U. S. A.

(8) Emilie Louisa, born 2 March, 1841; died 24 April, 1909.

(9) Reginald Heber, born 10 May, 1844; died 17 December, 1848.

(10) Gertrude Irene, born 9 July, 1849, at Fort Snelling, Minn.; married, 12 October, 1881, John J. Stubbs. One child, Jesse Gilbert, born in Oakland, Neb., 28 September, 1882. Mrs. Stubbs is State Registrar of the Nebraska Society of Colonial Dames and Society of Daughters of American Revolution. Residence, 108 South 25th Avenue, Omaha, Neb.

(11) Grace Bertha, born 2 October, 1852; died 10 June, 1909.

JOHN HENRY GEAR, was born 7 April, 1825, in Ithaca, N. Y.; he died 14 July, 1900, in Washington, D. C. Married, 1852, Harriet S. Foot. His family removed to Galena, Ill., in 1836, and two years later to Fort Snelling, then in Iowa,

now Minnesota territory. He received a common school education, and in 1843 engaged in mercantile business in Burlington, Iowa. In 1863 he was elected mayor of Burlington; was member of the State Legislature, 1870-76, Speaker during the last four terms; Governor of Iowa from 1878-82; member of Congress from 1887-91; Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, U. S., in 1892 and 93; again in Congress from 1893 to 1895; United States Senator from Iowa from 1895 to his death, in Washington, July, 1900. He had two daughters: Margaret Gear Blythe, widow of J. W. Blythe, and Ruth Gear Rand, widow of Horace S. Rand, Burlington, Iowa.

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JACOB GEER.

(2) Israel (d) Cynthia, married 10 March, 1814, Samuel Hallett. Their son, John Milton Hallett, born in New Providence, Ind., 6 May, 1833, married Louisa Mertin, and had a son, Edwin S. Hallett, born at Bordon, Ind., 4 September, 1862. Edwin S. Hallett married at Jefferson Villa, Ind., 19 July, 1888, Emma K. Piers; two children: Mary Piers (born 21 October, 1892), and Samuel G. (born 27 February, 1895); he is Supervising Chief Engineer U. S. Public Buildings. Residence, 5212 Cabanne Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

(3) Martha, married 1779 in New London, Conn., Asa Driscoll. He was born in Ireland; was second gunner on the frigate "Trumbull" during the Revolutionary War. They had eight children: (a) Asa. (b) Joshua. (c) Daniel. (d) Luther. (e) Elinor. (f) Ann. (g) Eliza. (h) Phoebe.

(a) Asa, Jr., married Eunice Standish, moved to Virginia, and had daughter, Phoebe, who married Thomas Wade and had seven children.

(c) Daniel was a sailor and was lost at sea.

(d) Luther (born 1781, died 1858) was a minister. He moved from Connecticut to Illinois in 1836. He married in 1821 Catherine Crandall, and had three children:

(i) Cuthbert Simpson (b. 1822), who married (1842) Cordelia Reed; had four children: Eldredge, Maria, Alice and Kate.

(ii) Daniel David (b. 1826), who married (1848) Josephine Burger and had two children: Evelthan L. and Elizabeth Louise, who married (1865) Dr. Booth and had three children: Helen Anna (b. 17 October, 1866, m. 4 June, 1885, James C. Donnelly); Florence Eve (m. 1894, Ernest W. Brace); and Laura Louise (b. 1898).

(iii) Catherine Martha (born 1824, died 1904), who married (1840) Theodore F. Hurd, and had five children: Francis (born 1843); George Willis (born 1846); Albert Arthur (born 1849), who is chief counsel of the A. T. & S. F. Ry., Topeka, Kan.; Florence (born 1852), and Charles Luther (born 1858).

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JAMES GEER.

(3) Silsby.

Child:

+Silsby, born in Preston, 18 May, 1767; died 14 March, 1852; married 18 February, 1788, Jane McCrea (or McCray), who was born 4 October, 1767, in North Bolton, Conn.; died 21 January, 1854.

SILSBY GERE.

Children:

(1) Pamelia, born 17 June, 1789, in Preston, Conn.

(2) Stoddard E., born 11 August, 1791, in Preston, Conn.

(3) Levi, born 29 September, 1794, in Norwich, Mass.
(4) Eleazer W., born 7 December, 1796, in Chester, Mass.
+(5) John Avery, born 8 April, 1799, in Chester, Mass.
+(6) Horatio Nelson, born 2 April, 1802, in Norwich, Mass.
(7) Fanny, born 22 March, 1805, in Norwich, Mass.
(8) Rosamond, born 22 March, 1805, in Norwich, Mass.
(9) Lydia A., born 24 August, 1809, in Norwich, Mass.
(10) Isaac, born 21 July, 1810, in Northampton, Mass.

JOHN AVERY GERE, born 8 April, 1799; died 3 June, 1874, in Shickshinny, Pa.; married 23 February, 1831, in Baltimore, Sarah Neal, who was born 1 December, 1801, and died 13 December, 1891. She was a sister of the mother of President Grover Cleveland.

Children:

(1) Sarah Frances, born 3 June, 1834; died ——; married 24 May, 1855, Carvill Hynson Carson, born 14 November, 1830; died ——. They had a son John Avery Gere Carson, born 19 February, 1856, who was Governor General of the Society of Colonial Wars in Georgia (1897-1902). Lived in Savannah, Ga.
(2) Hattie, born ——; married —— Jayne; lived in Berwick, Pa., where Mr. Jayne was cashier of a bank (1897). They had one son, John Gere Jayne, who graduated at Princeton Law School, LL.B., 1897. There were five other daughters, of whom we have no record.

HORATIO NELSON GERE, born in Norwich, Mass., 2 April, 1802; married Julia Delay Grant.

Children:

+(1) Charles Henry, born 18 February, 1838, in Gainsville, N. Y.; died in 1904; married 19 September, 1871, Mariel E. Clapham, of Washington.

+(2) George Grant, born 27 December, 1848; married 25 December, 1890, Sarah J. Wood.

CHARLES HENRY GERE, born 18 February, 1838, in Gainsville, N. Y.; died in 1904; married 19 September, 1871, Mariel E. Clapham of Washington. Graduated 1861, Dickinson College, A. M.; also degree of A. M. from University of Nebraska, 1894. Private, Company B, 10th Maryland Infantry during the Civil War. Admitted to Bar at Baltimore in 1865. Moved to Nebraska. Member legislature 1866. Moved to Lincoln, 1868. State Senator 1869-70 and 1881-2. Chairman State Central Committee four terms. President of Board of Regents, University of Nebraska, 1881-91. Postmaster, Lincoln 1891-5. President State Journal Company, 1872. Resided, Lincoln, Nebraska.

GEORGE GRANT GERE, born 27 December, 1848, in Greene, Chenango Co., N. Y.; married in San Francisco, California, 25 December, 1890, Sarah Josephine, daughter of William H. Wood. She was born in New York City, 27 November, 1861. At the age of sixteen, he joined the 1st Nebraska Veteran Cavalry and served until close of Civil War; graduated at Eclectic Medical Institute, Cincinnati, 1871; practised in western states ten years; professor of anatomy, 1881-6, and since then professor of surgery in California Medical College; has been President of the State, and Vice-President of the National Eclectic Medical Society. Residence, 1762 Waller Street, San Francisco, California.

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AMOS GEER, died May, 1821. Graduated at Yale College 1757. His daughter (2) Polly died 2 January, 1857, aged 95; (4) Abigail died 2 December, 1856, aged 90; (6) Ruth died 7 October, 1772; (7) Amos, Jr., died 19 March, 1865, aged 92. Amos Geer was a farmer and filled many town offices. He was Justice of the Peace a great many years. He was a superior penman, and old documents in his fine handwriting are still preserved in the records of Groton from 1781 to 1815; and during that period he performed the marriage ceremony for more than

a hundred couples, as it was customary in those days to call upon a civil magistrate rather than a clergyman for that service. He was appointed by the town one of the Committee of Correspondence, 20 June, 1774, in the Cause of Liberty for the Colonies, after the British had ordered the port of Boston closed. He represented the town of Groton in the State Legislature in the year 1780, two terms, and again in 1790. He died 19 May, 1821, aged 85. His son Amos, Jr., (63) succeeded him on the same farm (1772-1865), and he was succeeded by his son Jacob Allyn (1817-1857) a successful farmer and school teacher many winters. His son, Deacon Isaac Gallup Geer (145), is the present owner and occupant. He has held various town and church offices. He was elected to the Connecticut Legislature for 1913-1914.

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ROBERT GEER.

(2) Eunice, died in Ledyard, Connecticut, 11 April, 1858.
(3) Lucinda, died in Glastonbury, Connecticut, 2 November, 1858.
(6) Alice, died in Ledyard, 27 April, 1869.
(7) James, died in Ledyard, 4 March, 1872.
(8) Sophia, died in Brooklyn, Pa., 30 March, 1882.

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THOMAS GEER.

(4) Anna and (6) Abigail ("Nabby"), both married Elihu Hakes, son of Richard Hakes. He was born in Stonington in 1779. He was a farmer, and lived in North Stonington, where he died 20 April, 1834. Elihu married, 1st, Anna, in Preston, Conn., 13 June, 1802; and 2nd, "Nabby," 29 November, 1810. By Anna he had four children: Elihu, Jr., Richard, Anna, and Abby Park. By "Nabby" he had five children: Thomas G., Phebe, Henry Babcock, John Morgan and Cynthia Louise. Henry Babcock married 6 January, 1841, Anna Williams Woodward, who was born in Preston, 26 March, 1820. They had seven children.

Their daughter Gertrude, born in Worcester, Mass., 15 March, 1856, married 20 June, 1894, Frank A. Roath, of Norwich. He died 5 August, 1905. She married, 2nd, Colonel Charles W. Gale, 23 June, 1913. He is a cashier of the Thames National Bank, Norwich.

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AMOS GEER, JR., born at Ledyard, Conn. (then North Groton), 17 October, 1772; married at Groton, Conn., 5 January, 1800, Prudence Allyn, born at Groton, Conn., 1775; died 4 December, 1836, daughter of Ephraim Allyn and Temperance (Morgan) Allyn. Residence, Ledyard, Conn. Farmer.

Children:

(2) Prudence, born 28 October, 1802; died 22 March, 1833.

Children:

(a) James Billings, born 27 August, 1826.
(b) Theophilus, born 30 November, 1827.
(c) Amos Geer, born 4 October, 1829.

(3) Shubael, born 20 August, 1804; died 23 December, 1859.

(4) Robert Allyn, born 25 October, 1806; died 10 December, 1888.

(5) Eliza Bill, born 19 January, 1809; died 19 January, 1897.

(6) Alexander Hamilton, born 9 January, 1811; died 9 December, 1879.

(10) Lydia Almira, born 22 April, 1819; died 7 June, 1902.

(Note.—The record of the other children is given on pages 59 and 60.)

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JAMES GEER, was a farmer and cabinet maker, Justice of the Peace, and Warden of St. James Church for about forty years. Resided in Ledyard on the "Geer Homestead" farm,

where the first George Geer made his settlement, and where all his children were born, as well as many of his descendants. George built two houses on the farm. The first was probably a log house near the spring. Later he built a larger house, and his grandson Ebenezer built a third house on the site of the present homestead, where the fourth house was built by James Geer in 1848.

(1) James Lewis, died in Norwich, 9 February, 1899.
(3) Sarah Maria, died in Norwich, 23 May, 1897.
(5) Abby, died in Norwich, 26 October, 1901; never married.

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NATHAN GEER.

Children:

(1) Nathan Punderson, born at Preston, 29 June, 1817; died at Preston, 28 September, 1906; never married.
(2) Denison Rossiter, born 22 October, 1818; died 16 March, 1896; married, 1st, Mrs. Rebecca Hollowell, 29 September, 1868; she died 23 October, 1869; married, 2nd, at Ledyard, Hannah Lamb, who is still living, aged nearly 90.
(3) John Jay, born at Preston, 15 February, 1821; died 1857; never married.
(4) Prudence Sophia, born at Preston, 6 September, 1830; died 3 September, 1863; never married.

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MOSES TYLER GEER.

(1) Harriet Abby, who married Ethan Allen Pierce, had a seventh child (g) Edward Allen Pierce, born 3 April, 1855, whose name is not given on page 64. He is a leading physician at Portland, Oregon.

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DAVID GEER, died 19 May, 1867; his wife Ann died 12 February, 1862.

(2) William Franklin had a son Charles Frank whose name is not given on page 88.

(5) Sarah Ann, had two more sons: (e) Frederick G., born about 1855; (f) Irving W., born about 1857.

(6) David, had a daughter, Mary B., born in 1862.

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WILLIAM STANTON GERE.

(2) Charles Franklin.

Child:

Ida Amelia, born 15 December, 1856, at Geddes, N. Y.; married 8 March, 1883, at Manlius, N. Y., Herbert A. Adams. He was born 7 November, 1858, at De Witt, N. Y., son of William W. Adams and Eliza J. King Adams. Residence, Manlius, N. Y.

Children:

(i) Lovisa Catherine, born 20 June, 1885.
(ii) Clara King, born 2 July, 1886.
(iii) Ida Ethel, born 5 March, 1888.

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ISAAC WHEELER GEER, born 1 June, 1801, at Groton (now Ledyard), Conn.; died at Ledyard, 5 January, 1855; married, 1st, at Preston, Conn., 9 January, 1825, Aseneth Williams, born at Preston, 25 January, 1804; died 25 August, 1859; married, 2nd, 8 May, 1828, Experience Avery, daughter of Amos Avery and Dorothy Crary, of Preston, born at Preston, 1 July, 1807; died 1 February, 1878. Education, common district school; farmer; Vestryman of St. James Church for many years. Colonel of Connecticut State Militia. Chorister of St. James Church, Poquetanuck, Conn., and teacher of singing schools in neighboring towns. Residence, Ledyard, Conn.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Aseneth Williams, born 26 May, 1826; married Andrew Avery. They had one child:

(a) Delia Avery, born ——; died at Woodstock, 19 October, 1910; married 18 August, 1886, Louis R. Southworth.

By 2nd wife:

+(2) Isaac Wheeler, born 10 April, 1829.

(3) David, born 13 September, 1832; died 12 July, 1891; married Eunice O. Witter; 5 children.

(4) Delia, born 24 March, 1838; died Syracuse, N. Y., 27 October, 1872; married 19 February, 1863, Cyrus Denison Avery of Syracuse, N. Y.; he died 29 November, 1911; no children.

(5) Mary Louise, born at Ledyard, Conn., 31 March, 1843; married at Syracuse, N. Y., 17 November, 1868, Captain Theophilus Brown, son of Aaron Brown and Mary (Wilcox) Brown. He was born at Ledyard, February, 1824; died 15 January, 1905, at Groton, Conn. Captain of whaling vessels. Residence, "Brown Place," Eastern Point Road, Groton, Conn. They had two children: Alice E., born 27 September, 1871; married Rev. Paul Hoffman, 28 June, 1899; educated at Mount Holyoke College. Residence, Baltimore; and Clara Louise, born 12 June, 1876; married Sanford Meech, 1 December, 1902; one child, Sanford Meech, born 18 December, 1903. She graduated from Williams Memorial High School, New London, Conn. Residence, Groton, Conn.

ISAAC WHEELER GEER was born at Ledyard, Conn., 10 April, 1829; married, 1st, at Ledyard, Conn., Hannah C. Lamb, born at Ledyard, Conn., ——; died there. 19 November, 1881; married, 2nd, at Medway, Mass., 27 November, 1886, Julia Frances Adams, daughter of Rev. James and Caroline (Brooks) Adams; she died at Ledyard 19 July, 1904. No children. Educated at common district school (Geer Schoolhouse); farmer, Vestryman for many years; now Senior Warden in St. James Church, Poquetanuck, Conn. Residence,

Ledyard, Conn., on farm adjoining the "Geer Homestead" farm of George Geer.

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ISAAC GERE.

(3) Isaac, born 3 February, 1803; died 21 January, 1851; married Lucy Wright, at Deerfield, Mass., 21 July, 1825. Shortly before their marriage he established his home in Williamsburg, Mass.; was engaged for some time in mercantile business, and afterwards in the manufacture of broadcloth and cassimere. He was a Selectman for several years, and served two years in the House of Representatives of the State. On account of failing health he sold his factory and home in Williamsburg, and in the fall of 1838 moved to a farm near Oxford, Ohio, where he died.

Children, born at Williamsburg, Mass.:

(a) Ann Eliza, married Melancthon Wade Oliver at Oxford, 25 June, 1850; died in Cincinnati, Ohio, 14 October, 1911. Seven children.

(b) Ellen Maria, married 31 December, 1856, Lazarus Noble Bonham. Two children.

(c) Mary Wright (died in infancy).

(d) Mary Russell, married Samuel Markle, 11 October, 1853; died at St. Joseph, Mo., 28 November, 1866. Four children.

(e) George Wright, married Elenora Gallup at Clifton, Ill., 10 October, 1865; died in Chicago, Ill., 27 January, 1912. Eight children.

(f) Martha Jane (died at the age of three).

(g) Lucy Brown, married Samuel Markle, 4 May, 1867. Four children.

Children, born at Oxford, Ohio:

(h) Albert Henry, married Elizabeth Gregory Sheffield in Cincinnati,

Ohio, 30 September, 1863; died in Cincinnati, Ohio, 24 October, 1894. Four children.

(i) Martha Jane, married James Abbott Sheffield, 30 October, 1872. Four children.

(j) Fannie Clary, died at Oxford, Ohio, 19 July, 1876.

(4) Frederick, married Ruth Sheldon Warner.

Child:

Amelia Ruth Gere, married at Chicago, Ill., 18 December, 1872, Alverin A. Mason, of Providence, R. I., who died 16 August, 1904. No children. Graduate of Mount Holyoke College. Author of "Women of the French Salons," "Woman in the Golden Ages," and many essays in the Atlantic, Century and other magazines. Member of the Fortnightly, the Antiquarians and other Clubs. Residence, 645 Cass Street, Chicago, Ill.

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AMOS GEER, born 10 November, 1800; died 20 October, 1867; married Eunice Morgan, born 28 September, 1801; died 27 February, 1888.

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ALEXANDER HAMILTON GEER, married in Montville, 26 September, 1836, Cordelia Comstock, daughter of Caleb and Lucy Comstock, born in Montville, 1 April, 1815. He was a carpenter and joiner. Residence, Maumee, Lucas County, Ohio.

Children:

(1) Orlando Comstock, born 22 October, 1840; never married.

(2) Amos Wright, born 24 September, 1843; married Mary E. Lloyd. Children: Edward (deceased), and Frank H.

(3) Harriet Cordelia, born 22 October, 1847; married J. A. Church. Children: George O., Hattie Belle, Lillian B., Lulu B., Fred Roy (deceased), and Eva Mary Church.

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JACOB ALLYN GEER, born at Groton, Conn., 24 January, 1817; died 19 October, 1857; married at Ledyard, Conn., 19 October, 1847, Julia Gallup, daughter of Isaac Gallup, born 4 April, 1823; died 20 December, 1896. School teacher, school visitor, town clerk, Justice of the Peace and farmer. Residence, Ledyard, Conn.

Children:

(1) Isaac Gallup, born 24 July, 1848.

(2) Prudence Emma, born at Ledyard, Conn., 26 July, 1850; died 25 April, 1901; married at Ledyard, Conn., 18 March, 1874, Nathan Gallup, son of Christopher Milton Gallup, born at Ledyard, Conn., 13 October, 1848; died 18 February, 1908. Residence, St. Paul, Minn.

Children:

(a) Julia Anna, born 27 November, 1875; married 25 January, 1913, John M. Harrison, Minneapolis, Minn.

(b) Milton Allyn, born 4 February, 1878; married 12 October, 1904, to Anne Durfee.

(c) Nellie Martha, born 16 March, 1880.

(3) Nellie Wight, born 21 February, 1858.

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JAMES LEWIS GEER, died in Norwich, 9 February, 1899; his second wife, Mary Ellen, died 1 June, 1887. They

had no children. Mr. Geer was a cabinet maker and school teacher, and a member of the firm of Gallup & Geer, house furnishings. He was vestryman of Trinity Church.

Children by 1st wife:

+(1) Robert, died in Albany, N. Y., 22 May, 1901.
(2) Ellen and (3) Lucy are now living at 35 Park Street, Norwich.

ROBERT GEER was born at Ledyard, "Geer Homestead," 23 March, 1837; died at Albany, N. Y., 22 May, 1901; married, 1st, at Bellisle, N. Y., near Syracuse, 10 October, 1860, Mary Sophie Gere, daughter of William Stanton Gere (73) and Lovisa Brewster, who was born 22 January, 1797; died 27 March, 1889. Mary Sophie was born at Bellisle, N. Y., 23 November, 1837; died at Syracuse, N. Y., 21 June, 1868. He married, 2nd, at Jordan, N. Y., 20 October, 1869, Rhoda Kellogg Shedd, who died at Albany, 12 December, 1882. He married, 3rd, 23 April, 1884, Mrs. Julia (Richmond) Cass, who is living in Albany. He was educated in Public Schools at Norwich; druggist at Norwich and Syracuse, N. Y., until 1865, after that a wholesale dealer in salt in Albany, N. Y., until his death; President of Board of Trade and a bank director. Resided 33 South Pine Ave., Albany, N. Y.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Frederick Lewis, born at Syracuse, 24 November, 1861; married at Albany, N. Y., 12 November, 1884, Mabel H. French. No children. He is a wholesale salt dealer. Residence, 79 South Pine Ave., Albany, N. Y.
(2) Clara Louisa, born at Syracuse, 12 August, 1863; married Dr. William F. Gilroy, a dentist, at Albany, 12 April, 1888. Residence, 126 Elm Ave., Mount Vernon, N. Y.

Children:

(a) Robert William Gilroy, born at Norwich, 22 April, 1889; will graduate from Lehigh University, class of 1914.

(b) Frederick Arthur Gilroy, born at New York City, 21 November, 1894, will graduate from Mount Vernon High School, class of 1914; expects to enter Lehigh University, September, 1914.

Child by 2nd wife:

(3) Arthur Hamilton, born at Albany, 13 December, 1873; married at Albany, 22 April, 1896, Hannah Louise Terrell. He is assistant treasurer Home Savings Bank, Albany. No children. Residence, 51 Manning Boulevard (South), Albany.

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NATHANIEL B. GEER.

(3) Albert Davis, died in Binghamton, N. Y., 14 August, 1910; married in North Fenton, N. Y., 11 February, 1874, Alice C. Cook, daughter of Matthew and Harriet M. (De Monstoy) Cook, born 24 December, 1849 (living); one child: Harold Matthew, born Unadilla, N. Y., 5 February, 1883; died in Binghamton, N. Y., 17 May, 1913; married in Binghamton, 12 May, 1909, Pearl Sophia Warner.

(5) Maria Adaliza, born in Ledyard, Conn., 29 December, 1850; married in Poquetanuck, Conn., 18 October, 1871, John Denison Brewster. He was born in Ledyard, 29 January, 1843, the son of Mary Esther Williams and John Brewster.

Children:

(a) Clara Louise, born 8 May, 1878; married in Norwich, Conn., 29 April, 1901, James Morton, Jr. Five children: John Brewster, Geer, Mary Howells, William Arthur and Helen Brewster.

(b) Arthur Morgan, born 11 May, 1880.

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ERASTUS GEER, died 26 April, 1895; married, 2nd, 21 November, 1860, Frances Ardelia Geer, born 25 July, 1828; died 28 August, 1905.

Child:

William Hamilton, born 15 March, 1853, "Oakland Farm," Lebanon, Conn.; married at Norwich, Conn., 14 February, 1906, Martha Smith Allyn, born 9 February, 1875, at Montville, Conn., daughter of Calvin Allyn and Eunice Ann Raymond (Ames) Allyn. Residence, "Oakland Farm," Lebanon, Conn.

Children:

(a) William Allyn, born 12 January, 1907.
(b) Harriet Allyn, born 29 April, 1909.

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MARCUS JUNIUS GEER.

(2) Ira McCarty, born 12 November, 1852, South Granby, N. Y.; married 28 January, 1879, Mary, daughter of Edwin Peck. She was born 2 June, 1855, at Warners, N. Y.; died 28 July, 1897.

Children:

(a) William Peck, born at Warners, N. Y., 12 March, 1881; married 23 October, 1907, Mary Gertrude, daughter of Frederic Douglas Gardner. She was born 3 September, 1879, in Onondago Valley, N. Y.; graduate, Ph. B., Syracuse University, class of 1902; member of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity. He graduated class of 1905, Electrical Engineer, Syracuse University; member of Delta Upsilon Fraternity; also of Military Lodge 93 of F. A. M. Live at Manlius, N. Y. Two children: Bernard Arthur,

born 22 November, 1908, Los Angeles, Cal., and Brewster Huntington, born 5 December, 1910, Syracuse, N. Y.

(b) Marcus Edwin, born 26 June, 1883; married, 14 October, 1909, Harriette, daughter of John Kellogg. She was born 24 June, 1883, in Clyde, N. Y. They live in Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa. They have one child, Mary Louise, born 20 July, 1912, at Syracuse, N. Y.

(c) Mary Helen, born 8 December, 1886, Syracuse, N. Y.; died 14 March, 1884.

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DAVID GEER, died 12 July, 1891; married 6 October, 1863, Eunice Orinda Witter, who died 5 January, 1894, aged 51.

Children:

(3) Jennie Witter, born 3 October, 1870; died 1906.

(4) Isaac Wheeler, born 1 February, 1874; married October, 1901, to Margaret Worth Thornton; has two children; resides at Cleveland, Ohio. He graduated, B. S., at Yale, 1895.

(5) Angeline Latham, born 12 July, 1878; died 18 August, 1904.

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EDWARD GERE.

(3) Collins, born 25 November, 1830, at Williamsburg, Mass.; died 22 April, 1882; married Mrs. Esther Seeley, at Rochester, N. Y., 8 September, 1869. Attended Williston Seminary. Connected with the firm of Hayden, Gere & Co., brass manufacturers of Haydenville, Mass. His health failed and he returned to Northampton, where he died. Child: Frederick, born 1870; died, aged about 12 years.

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DARIUS W. GEER, born in Albany, N. Y., 21 January, 1818; died in Cleveland, Ohio; married, 1st, Sarah Maria Ransom in New York, 17 September, 1844. She was born 17 October, 1823; died 30 September, 1851. Married, 2nd, at Brooklyn, N. Y., Catherine Elizabeth Smith, 16 November, 1854. She was born 15 June, 1826; died in Cleveland, Ohio. Darius moved to Albany, N. Y., and afterward to New York, where he died and was buried in Greenwood Cemetery.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Ella Ransom, born New York, 20 January, 1846; married Junius Smith, at Englewood, N. J., 16 January, 1873.

Children:

(a) Junius Hosford, born Englewood, N. J., 26 August, 1875.

(b) Alice, born Stamford, Conn., 4 December, 1880; died 23 July, 1881.

(2) Nelson Mills, born New York, 13 July, 1848; died 21 July, 1879.

(3) Edward Winslow, born New York, 9 March, 1850.

Children by 2nd wife:

(4) Alice Hosford, born New York, 25 November, 1855.

(5) Frederick Smith, born Brooklyn, 24 July, 1859.

(6) William Hosford, born Brooklyn, 26 October, 1864.

(7) Clara Dwight, born Brooklyn, 23 January, 1867.

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WILLIAM MONTAGUE GEER.

(1) Isabel Montague, married in New York City, 19 February, 1914, Eliot Hersey Goodwin.

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AMOS MORGAN GEER, born 2 June, 1826; died 6 April, 1884; married 4 June, 1851, Melissa R. Pierson, born 24 July, 1831.

Children:

(1) Eva Melissa, born 19 January, 1853; died 5 December, 1868.

(2) Willie, born 1 September, 1855; died 20 September, 1855.

(3) Ella Augustine, born 24 February, 1862; died 26 August, 1863.

(4) Grace Mabel, born 5 January, 1869; died 24 December, 1903; married 16 June, 1891, Karl L. Winter.

Children:

(a) Eva, born 1 July, 1892; died 16 August, 1893.

(b) Hazel Grace, born 16 January, 1896.

(c) Ralph Karl, born 18 October, 1900.

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HENRY SHERWOOD GERE.

(1) George Sherwood, born 15 July, 1850, at Northampton, Mass.; married at Easthampton, Mass., 28 November, 1877, Sarah Josephine Goodman, daughter of Stephen K. Goodman and Sarah James Bates. Attended Public Schools. Owner and manager of Gazette Printing Company. Member of Northampton Country Club. Residence, 62 Kensington Avenue, Northampton, Mass. No children.

(2) Collins Henry, born 19 June, 1854, at Northampton, Mass.; married 2 February, 1881, at Bridgeport, Conn., Annie Amelia Bowers, daughter of George Bowers. She was born in 1852 at Wilmington, Del.; died 24 December, 1904, at Northampton, Mass.; married, 2nd, Jennie Van Horn, 1 March, 1906, daughter of Jeremiah Van Horn and Isabella Vreland Van Riper. She was born at Newark, N. J., 4 May, 1865. He graduated from Northampton High School, 1874, and Amherst College, class 1877. He is part owner and editor of the

Daily Hampshire Gazette. Lives at 171 South Street, Northampton, Mass. Child: Martha Clark, born 11 May, 1883, married 1 October, 1902, to Le Roy Seeds Combs at Conway, Mass.; two children, Anna, born 20 July, 1903; and Collins, born 21 April, 1905.

(3) Edward Clark, born 3 April, 1856, at Northampton, Mass.; married 4 November, 1880, at Northampton, Katharine Elizabeth Henderson, daughter of John Dalton Henderson and Elizabeth Gibson. She was born 30 December, 1856, at Essex, N. Y. He was educated at Northampton public schools. Part owner and managing editor of the Daily Hampshire Gazette. Member of City Council four years. Member of Northampton Club. President four years of Edwards Church Men's Club. Residence, 61 High Street, Northampton, Mass.

Children:

(a) Alfred Dalton, born 19 September, 1883; drowned 21 September, 1905, when a Junior at Dartmouth College, while canoeing on Connecticut River.

(b) Margaret, born 26 February, 1890.

(6) William Henry, born 10 August, 1869, at Northampton, Mass.; married, at Brockton, Mass., 24 February, 1902, Mary Frances Bradford, daughter of Chester Herbert Bradford and Sarah Glass. Attended Public Schools. Employed at Gazette Office. Member of City Council four years and president one year. Superintendent of Edwards Church Sunday School seven years. Lives at 76 Columbus Avenue, Northampton, Mass.

Children:

(a) Sara Sherwood, born 29 May, 1904; died 4 June, 1904.

(b) Henry Sherwood, born 13 November, 1906.

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CHARLES R. GEER, born in Groton, Connecticut, 16 February, 1874; married in Mystic, Connecticut, 28 October, 1903, Laura Lewis, daughter of Colonel Warren W. Packer. She was born in Mystic, 26 February, 1878. Resides, Mystic, Connecticut.

Children:

(1) Eleanor Packer, born 26 October, 1904.
(2) Reginald Packer, born 8 November, 1906.

PART FOUR

The Oregon Branch

GENEALOGICAL TABLE

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The Oregon Branch

JOSEPH CARY GEER. The ancestor of the Oregon Branch of the family was Joseph Cary, the son of Isaiah, the grandson of Captain Aaron Geer, and the great-grandson of Jonathan Geer, Jr., who was grandson of George (1). He was born 5 February, 1795, in Windham, Conn.; married 1 June, 1815, at Mansfield, Conn., Mary Johnson, born 5 July, 1797, near Providence, R. I.; died 6 December, 1847, at Butteville, Ore. Her father's name was Kenyon Johnson of Rhode Island. Her mother's name was Elizabeth Peckham, of Rhode Island. Her grandmother's name was Hazzard, of Rhode Island. Mary Johnson planted the "lone pine tree" of Mansfield, Conn. It stands on the old Johnson farm near the old house. Her father was plowing, and she, a little six year old girl, was following him. He pulled up a little one-year old pine and gave it to her, and she ran to the garden and planted it. That was in 1803. Now it is a large tree and is called the "Lone Pine."

When this sketch was written, 6 June, 1881, by Ralph C. Geer, his eldest son, Joseph Cary Geer was alive and well, and had 165 children, grand children, great-grand children and great-great-grand children, with their wives and husbands, living on the Pacific coast.

Joseph Cary Geer was born in the east room of the old Geer home, town of Chaplin, five miles from Windham, Conn., and lived on the old place until after he married and had two children, in the meantime having served 42 days in the Windham Artillery under Captain Gurden Hibbard, war of 1812. Colonel Satler's Regiment was stationed at New London. Hibbard's company was known as the "Bull Frog Company."

In 1818, on the 10th day of September, Joseph Cary Geer started for the far west, as Ohio was then called, which was considered more of an undertaking than going around the world now is. He arrived in Ohio and settled on the Darby

Plains some time in October, 1818. He worked by day's work summers, and taught school winters, until 1824, when he removed to Madison County and engaged in the dairy business, which he followed successfully until 1840, when he again pulled up stakes and, on the 9th of September, started west again, settling in Knox County, Ill., where he built a good house and barn and otherwise improved his place. Then he took the Oregon fever, two of his sons having already gone to that country, and on the 4th day of April 1847, with the rest of his children and grand children, he bid farewell to civilization and started across the plains for Oregon. He arrived at his present home on the 17th day of October, 1847, where, the next Spring, he planted a nursery, which business he followed until he lost his eyesight, in 1856. He lost his first wife soon after arriving at his home in Oregon, and June 24, 1849, he married Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, who had lost her husband soon after arriving in Oregon in 1847. His last three children were by his second wife. She died March 14, 1855. On June 6, 1856, he married Mrs. Mary Strong, formerly of Ohio.

He always governed himself by the Golden Rule. He never had but one fight in his life, and that was in Madison County, Ohio, when he fought about thirty minutes with a two-year-old bull. He being a very strong and determined man, conquered the bull, and led him back to the pasture, and the bull was willing to stay.

In Ohio Joseph Cary Geer was called a Yankee and the Virginians and Kentuckians hated to be outlifted by him, but they could not help it. One day at a log rolling, one of their "bullies" undertook to break him down lifting at a handspike, but came to the ground himself and never recovered. He was a great wrestler in his younger days, a great worker, and benevolent to a fault. He held office in both church (Universalist) and state; was for a long time a trustee of his township in Ohio. He was an inveterate hater of tobacco; full of fun and anecdote, and I never heard him swear or tell a lie. He lost the sight of his eyes by having them operated on by a quack doctor who pretended to be an eye doctor. He had a small cataract on each eye but I do not believe they would have hurt him.

To Aaron Geer Captain of the 11th Company in the 5th Regiment of Militia in the State of Connecticut, Greeting;

Whereas I have rec.d an Order and Intelligence from Governor Trumball, advising that Eleven Ships of War and Eighty Transports of our Enemy's Fleet, with a Land Force on Board, as is supposed, are lying before the Town and Harbour of New London &c. and directing me without Delay to Muster, and cause to be equipp.d the Regiment under my Command, and them have in Readiness to March at a Moment's Warning.

These are therefore to require you without the least Delay to muster and cause to be compleatly equipp.d, the Company under your Command both Officers and Men, and them hold in Readiness to March at a Moment's Warning, or to receive such other Order as shall be directed. — Given under my hand in Windham this 6th day of Dec.r 1776.

Jed.h Huntington Col.t

FOURTH GENERATION

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AARON (Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), married, 2nd, in 1758, Miriam Spofford. She was born 27 October, 1727, the daughter of Francis Spofford and Priscilla Walcott. She died 1 January, 1818. They lived in Mansfield, Conn.

Children by 2nd wife:

(5) Elizabeth, born 25 June, 1759.
50* (6) Isaiah, born 25 June, 1762; died 21 June, 1830.
(7) Aletha, born 19 April, 1764.
(8) Lydia, born 25 November, 1766.
(9) Asenith, born 22 August, 1769.
(10) James.

FIFTH GENERATION

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ISAIAH (Aaron,[5] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 25 June, 1762; died 21 June, 1830; married 27 November, 1778, Philomela Cary. She was born 2 March, 1767; died 27 November, 1844.

Children:

93* (1) Joseph Cary, born 5 February, 1795; died 28 August, 1881; married, 1st, Mary Johnson, of Mansfield, Conn., 1 June, 1815. She was born 5 July, 1797; died 6 December, 1847. Married, 2nd, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, 24 June, 1849. She died 14 March, 1855. He married, 3rd, Mrs. Mary Strong, 6 June, 1856.
(2) Winthrop, born 2 August, 1797; died 10 November, 1877.
(3) Irene, born 2 January, 1802; died ——; married —— Egan.
94* (4) Aaron, born 20 November, 1804; died 7 March, 1885.
95* (5) Philo, born 4 January, 1808; died 23 December, 1883.

SIXTH GENERATION

93*

JOSEPH CARY (Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 5 February, 1795; died 28 August, 1881; married, 1st, 1 June, 1815, Mary Johnson, of Mansfield, Conn., born 5 July, 1797; died 6 December, 1847; married, 2nd, Elizabeth Smith, 24 June, 1849. She died 14 March, 1855. He married, 3rd, Mrs. Mary Strong, 6 June, 1856. All of his children are now (1914) deceased except one daughter, Elizabeth, who was eighty years of age last October, and is now living in Portland, Ore.

Children by 1st wife:

135* (1) Ralph Cary, born 13 March, 1816; died 9 January, 1895; married 8 January, 1837, Mary Willard.

136* (2) Frederick Wolcott, born 24 May, 1817; married Mary Prentiss, August, 1841.

(3) Frances Emeline, born 16 September, 1821; died 16 October, 1897; married 1844, John Grimm. Resided Aurora, Ore.

Children:

(a) Lois, born 7 January, 1844.
(b) Byron Joseph, born 24 January, 1846.
(c) Martha N., born 12 May, 1848.
(d) William T., born 25 December, 1850.
(e) Isaiah, born 28 May, 1852.
(f) Thurston, born in 1854.
(g) Edgar, born 2 January, 1855.
(h) Edwin, born 2 January, 1855.
(i) John W., born 12 August, 1857.
(j) Mary E., born 11 May, 1859.
(k) Joseph Cary, born 3 April, 1861.
(l) Ralph Cary, born 6 May, 1863.
(m) Alice, born 28 September, 1869.

137* (4) Joseph Cary, Jr., born 1 February, 1825; died 12 January, 1908; married 1 May, 1867, Clara Tevenar. She was born 26 September, 1843.

138* (5) Isaiah, born 13 April, 1827; died in 1885; married, 1st, Phebe Crandall; married, 2nd, Elizabeth Overby.

139* (6) Heman Johnson, born 23 September, 1828; died 16 August, 1903; married, 1st, Cynthia Eoff; married, 2nd, Eliza Duncan.

(7) Mary, born 19 May, 1830; died 28 June, 1899; married Robert V. Short, 15 February, 1848. Resided at Portland, Ore. Children: Vina, Marshall, Penn, Sherman, Lettie, Lily, Eva.

(8) Elizabeth, born 27 October, 1833; married, 1st, Charles Sanborn, 22 August, 1848; married, 2nd, C. E. Sweitzer, 23 April, 1855; married, 3rd, Joseph Sweitzer, 23 April, 1860; married, 4th, C. F. Kent, 27 February, 1870.

Children by 1st husband:

(a) Irwin, born 15 September, 1849.
(b) John, born 16 January, 185–.

Children by 2nd husband:

(c) Mary F., born 27 February, 1858.
(d) Nettie, born 28 February, 1860.

Children by 3rd husband:

(e) Caddie, born 17 November, 1863.
(f) James, born ——.

(9) Juliette, born 4 January, 1835; died 8 August, 1854; never married.

(10) Iantha, born 6 December, 1836; died 29 January, 1907; married John Kruse, 31 August, 1852, at Clackamas County, Ore. Resided, Clackamas County, Ore.

Children:

(a) J. Lorian, born 4 July, 1853.
(b) Frances Marion, born 8 June, 1855.
(c) Albert O., born 30 March, 1858.
(d) J. Frederick, born 12 December, 1860.
(e) Anna J., born 20 April, 1862.
(f) Ernest, born 7 September, 1866.
(g) Homer A., born 9 July, 1870.

Children by 2nd wife:

(11) Orlando Thurston, born 22 January, 1851; died 29 December, 1851.

(12) Lucien, born 16 February, 1854; married Kate Ives, 1878. Child, Elizabeth.

140* (13) Joel Palmer, born 7 March, 1856; married Calista Culver, 26 February, 1876.

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AARON (Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 20 November, 1804; died 7 March, 1885; married Sarah Crane, 3 July, 1831. She was born 24 March, 1811, and died 28 September, 1876.

Children:

(1) Almira E., born 26 December, 1832; married George L. Briggs in 1873. Lives Willimantic, Conn.

(2) Harriet G., born 9 September, 1833.

(3) Chauncey Cleveland, born 27 December, 1843; married Georgiana Newton.

(4) Anson Cary, born 23 May, 1851; married Lizzie Jane Blake, 26 May, 1880. She was born 8 October, 1859. One child: Myra, born 11 March, 1881; never married. Lives in Boston.

(5) Josephine A., born 25 March, 1855; died 7 July, 1855.

95*

PHILO (Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 4 January, 1808; died 23 December, 1883; married Margaret Jolly. She was born 12 September, 1814; died 18 March, 1891.

Children:

(1) Lora M., born 27 May, 1836; died 8 June, 1908; married O. H. P. Tanquary, 8 April, 1860. He was born 12 March, 1828; died 22 April, 1881;

had a daughter, Nellie C. Tanquary, born 3 June, 1869; who married Ralph C. Geer, 19 July, 1893. Two children: Margaret, born 12 February, 1903, and Leonard, born 21 September, 1905.

(2) Ordilla, born 1845; died 26 October, 1873.

SEVENTH GENERATION

135*

RALPH CARY (Joseph Cary,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 13 March, 1816, in Willimantic, Conn.; died 9 January, 1895; married 8 January, 1837, Mary Willard, in London, Ohio, daughter of Abner Willard, born in Madison County, Ohio, 5 August, 1819.

Children:

168* (1) Calvin, born 30 October, 1837; married 21 November, 1858, Ellen Leonard.

(2) Florinda, born 3 September, 1839; married Timothy W. Davenport. Had a son, Homer C. Davenport, the celebrated cartoonist, who died 2 May, 1912.

(3) Samantha, born 2 July, 1842; married Philip Bowers. Had a son, Frank Bowers, a cartoonist. Lives in Indianapolis.

169* (4) Byington, born 11 March, 1845; died 6 May, 1909; married Eglentine Dehart. He later took the name of Lagrand Byington.

(5) Mary, born 8 September, 1851; married W. J. Starmer. No children. She later took the name of Mary Hulda.

(6) Angeline, born 8 October, 1853; died 23 March, 1856.

136*

FREDERICK WOLCOTT (Joseph Cary,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), born in Madison County, Ohio, 24 May, 1817; married in Knox County, Ill., 1841, Mary Ann Prentiss. Resided Butteville, Ore.

Children:

(1) Adelia Honeywood, born in Knox County, Ill., May, 1842.

170* (2) Theodore Dwight, born in Knox County, Ill., October, 1845.

171* (3) Frederick Corydon, born in Oregon, 24 July, 1848.

(4) Annetta Amelia, born in Oregon, February, 1851.

(5) Violet Elmira, born July, 1853.

(6) Effie, born in April, 1868.

(7) Eva, born in April, 1868.

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JOSEPH CARY, JR. (Joseph Cary,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 1 February, 1825; died 12 January, 1908; married in Boise City, Idaho, 1 May, 1867, Clara Tevenar. She was born 26 September, 1843.

Children:

(1) Schuyler C., born 21 February, 1868; married Lottie Cora Mann, 3 January, 1898. No children.

(2) Theodore M., born 21 February, 1870; married ——; and has three children: Jessie D., Dorris and Arthur. Lives in Georgetown, Washington.

138*

ISAIAH (Joseph Cary,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), born in Madison County, Ohio, 13 April, 1827; died in California about 1885; married, 1st, in Marion County, Ore., Phebe Crandall; married, 2nd, Mrs. Elizabeth Overby, Clackamas County, 1862.

Children by 2nd wife:

(1) Walter, born in 1863.

(2) Ada, born in 1864.

139*

HEMAN JOHNSON (Joseph Cary,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born in Madison County, Ohio, 23 September, 1828; died 16 August, 1903; married, 1st, in Marion County, Ore., 14 October, 1848, Cynthia Ann Eoff; married, 2nd, Eliza Duncan, 14 October, 1866. Resided, Cove, Union County, Ore.

Children by 1st wife:

172* (1) Theodore Thurston, born 12 March, 1851.
(2) Theodosia Caroline, born 16 May, 1853.
(3) Arthur, born 1855; died ——.
(4) Ralph Cary, born 22 March, 1858; died ——.

Children by 2nd wife:

(5) Judd, born 18 February, 1868, in Cove, Ore.; married in Cove, Ore., in 1888, Mary Holtby, born in New York, 1865. He is a Nurseryman; member State Horticultural Commission. Children: Ada, born in 1897; Pauline, born in 1899. Residence, Cove, Ore.
(6) Blaine, born 12 March, 1880.

140*

JOEL PALMER (Joseph C.,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), born in Butteville, Ore., 7 March, 1856; married in Albany, Ore., 26 February, 1876, Calista Culver, daughter of Amos Culver, born in Albany, Ore., 21 September, 1855. Educated at common school. Member of Oregon Legislature. He was a farmer and later a steamboat master or master mariner and is now farming again.

Children:

(1) Lottie, born 23 January, 1877; died 8 October, 1897.
(2) Olive Kate, born 26 August, 1882; married 19 February, 1913, Albert Pinska, of Dawson, Yukon Territory, Alaska.

(3) Earl Victor, born 24 August, 1887; died 20 October, 1912; married 11 August, 1909, Vashti Grace Crocker, of Seattle. He was killed in the Philippines. No children.

EIGHTH GENERATION

168*

CALVIN (Ralph Cary,[7] Joseph Cary,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born 30 October, 1837, in London, Ohio; married 21 November, 1858, Ellen Leonard. She was born Kingston, Mo., 7 September, 1842, daughter of Dr. Leicester Leonard.

Children, all born near Silverton, Ore.:

(1) Irwin S., born 28 February, 1864; married in Silverton, 4 August, 1889, Mrs. Belle (Allwein) Erb, daughter of Henry Allwein. Educated at common school and Portland Business College; merchandise business 24 years, farming balance of life to date. Member Oregon Legislature; Treasurer Harney County. Residence, Burns, Ore.

Children:

(a) Juanita Amo, born 10 June, 1890; married 2 June, 1909, Irving Miller.
(b) Waldo Irwin, born 21 August, 1892.
(c) Henry, born 21 January, 1895.
(d) Ellen, born 30 August, 1898.

(2) Ralph Cary, born 22 April, 1867; married Nellie C. Tanquary in Burns, Ore., 19 July, 1893. He has two children: (1) Margaret, born 12 February, 1903, and (2) Leonard, born 21 September, 1905.

(3) Ida Florence, born 6 October, 1869; married Henry Vance Clymer, M. D., in Baker City, Ore., 27 November, 1891.

(4) Pearl Willard, born 29 June, 1873; married in Kansas City, Mo., 12 June, 1909, Martha Elizabeth, daughter of Tenny and Ann Elizabeth (Ridgley)

Root. She was born in Girard, Kan., 3 March, 1882. He is a machinery and mechanical expert and naturalist; director Arab Horse Club of America; member of Linnaean Society; associated for several years with Homer C. Davenport in importation and exploitation of Arabian horses. Residence, 180 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and Englishtown, N. J. One child, Edwin Ridgley, born in New York, 21 December, 1913.

(5) Mary Cynthia, born 4 April, 1875; married 19 July, 1894, Ben Brown, at Stockton, Cal.

169*

LA GRANDE BYINGTON (Ralph C.,[7] Joseph C.,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), born in Knox County, Ill., 11 March, 1845; died 6 May, 1909; married in Silverton, Ore., in 1870, Eglantine De Hart, born in Oregon, 1852. Resided Waldo Hills, Ore.

Children:

(1) Carrie, born 22 February, 1871; married Harry Crouder.
(2) Musa, born 21 December, 1872.
(3) Homer, born in 1875; died ——.
(4) Eva, born 1 January, 1879; married —— Dabney, died ——.
(5) Burt, born 12 January, 1881.
(6) Chet, born 27 January, 1883.
(7) Archie, born 7 November, 1886.

170*

THEODORE DWIGHT (Fred W.,[7] Joseph C.,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born in Knox County, Ill., 13 October, 1843; married in Butteville, Oregon, 3 May, 1863, Philomene Matthieu, daughter of F. X. Matthieu, born in Butteville, Oregon, 20 April, 1845. Residence, Big Bend, Washington.

Children:

(1) Ernest F., born 12 July, 1864; died ——.
(2) Henry R., born 10 January, 1866; died ——.
(3) Stella M., born 14 March, 1867; married —— Taylor.
(4) Walton T., born 17 December, 1869.
(5) Charles B., born 10 December, 1871.
(6) Eva A., born 7 March, 1874; died ——.
(7) Ida R., born 28 July, 1876; died ——; married —— Holmes.
(8) Hattie F., born 28 September, 1878; married —— McCrary.
(9) Lester G., born 10 December, 1882.
(10) Nettie A., born 11 October, 1885; d. ——.

171*

FREDERICK CORYDON (Fred W.,[7] Joseph C.,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born in Butteville, Ore., 24 July, 1848; married ——. Address, 4512 52nd Street, Southeast, Portland, Ore.

Children, all born in Butteville, Ore.:

(1) Jerome C., born 7 December, 1869.
(2) Nathaniel Prentiss, born 15 October, 1871.
(3) William Roy, born 12 July, 1882.

172*

THEODORE THURSTON (Heman J.,[7] Joseph C.,[6] Isaiah,[5] Aaron,[4] Jonathan, Jr.,[3] Jonathan,[2] George[1]), was born on a farm in the Waldo Hills in Marion County, Ore., 12 March, 1851; married, 1st, 16 June, 1870, Mrs. Nancy Batte of Cove, Ore., by whom he had three children. She died in 1898. He married, 2nd, Isabelle Trullinger, of Astoria, Ore., 14 June, 1900. He was educated at Willamette University; is now a member of Geer & Mattoon, Real Estate, Portland, Ore.; has been Editor since 1903 of Salem Daily Oregon Statesman and Pendleton Daily Tribune. He was a member of the Oregon House of Representatives in 1880, 1888, 1890

T. T. Geer

and 1892 (Speaker, 1891); Governor of Oregon from 1899 to 1903. Address, Portland, Ore.

Children by 1st wife:

(1) Maud Agnes, born 19 March, 1871; died ——.
(2) Theodosia, born 19 March, 1873; married, 1st, H. Downing; married, 2nd, E. C. Little.
(3) Frederick Heman, born 29 January, 1877; married Martha ——, in October, 1910.

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